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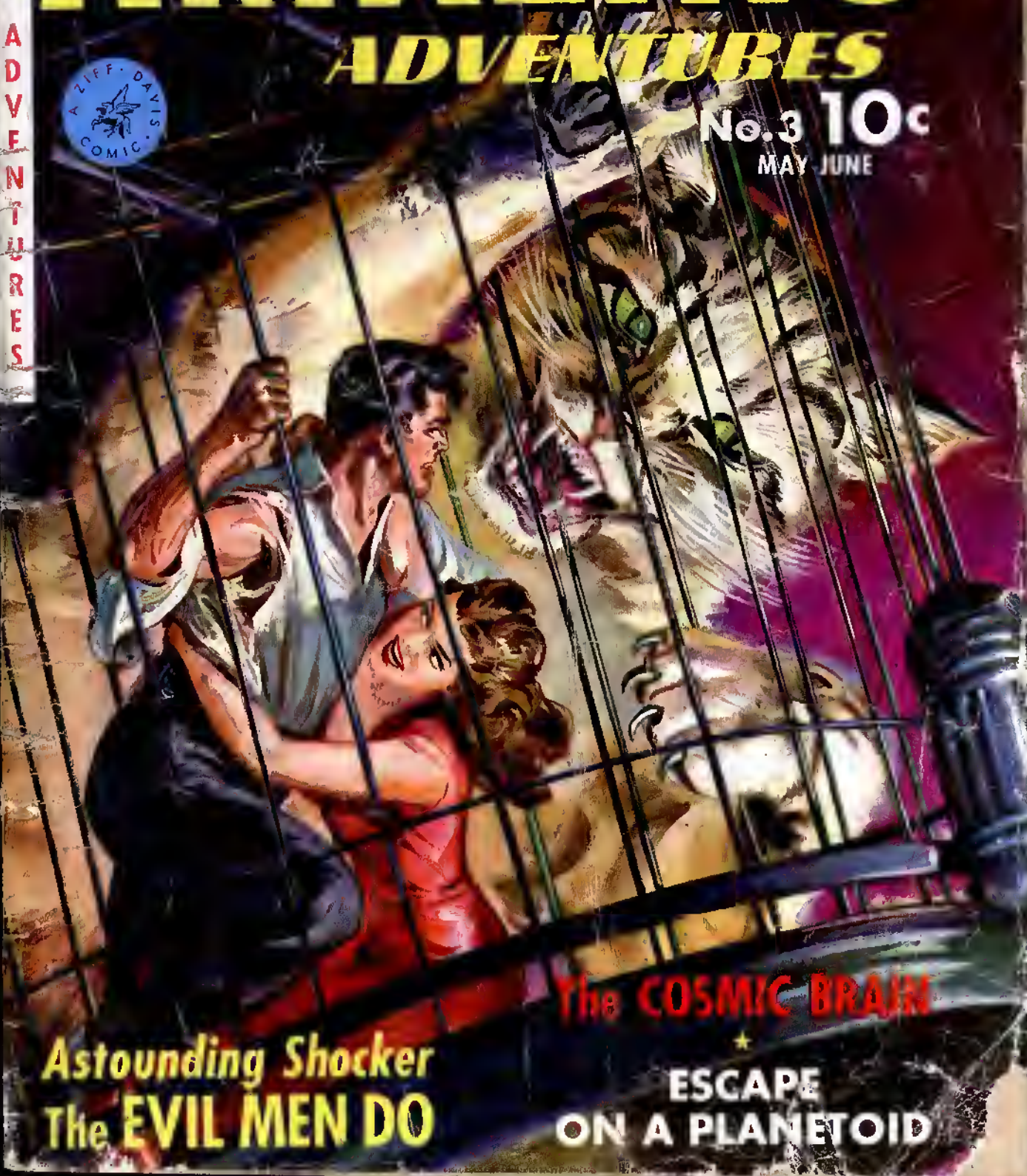
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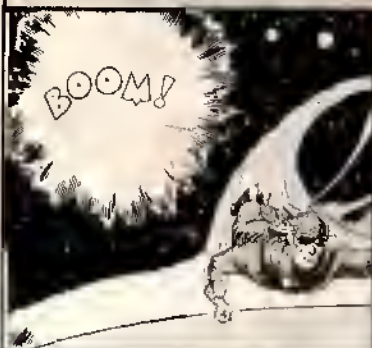
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HATE IS A POWERFUL EMOTION—FOR IT GENERATES...

"The EVIL men do!"

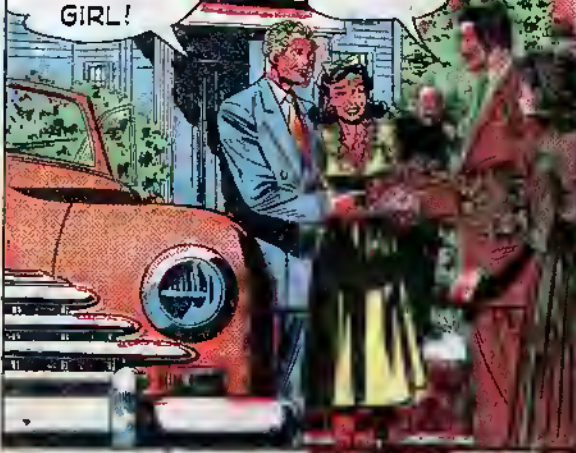
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THE CAT! SHE'LL
KILL US!



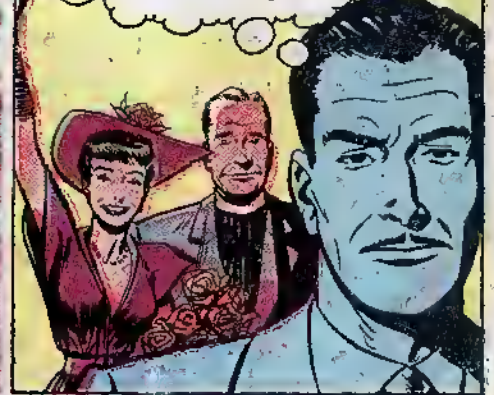
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PLACE IN
THE CHAPEL
OF WESTLAKE
UNIVERSITY...
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AND GROOM,
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RESEARCH
WORKERS,
ARE ABOUT
TO LEAVE
ON A BRIEF
HONEYMOON—

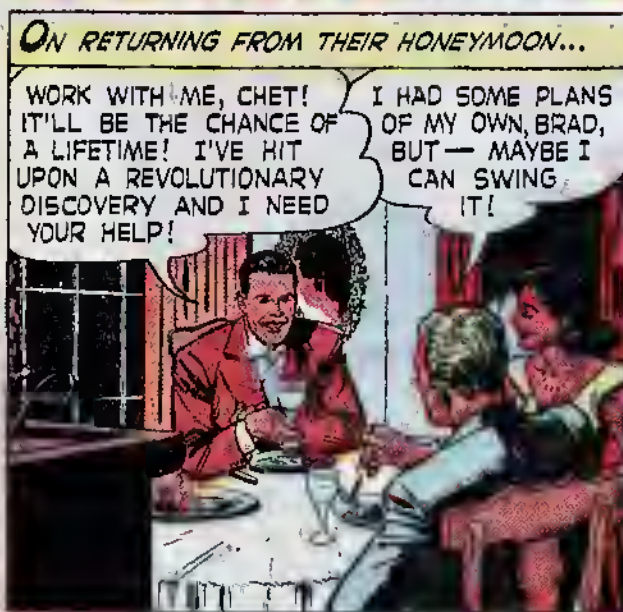
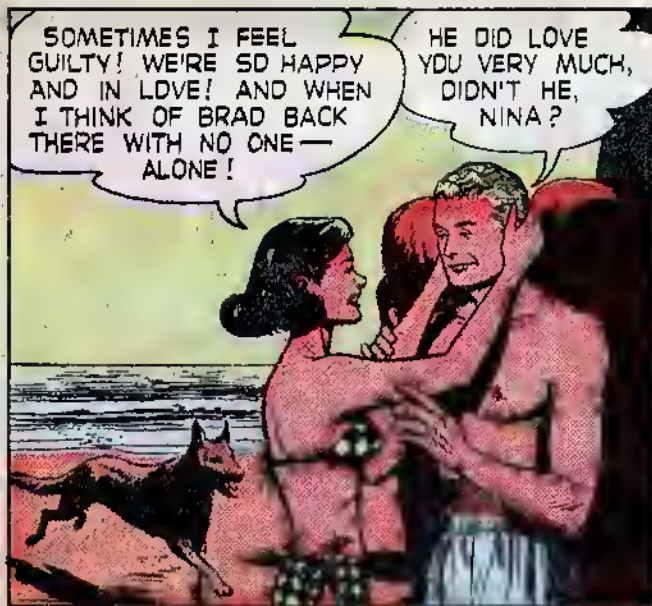
HOPE YOU'RE NOT
STILL SORE AT
ME, BRAD, FOR
MARRYING
YOUR BEST
GIRL!

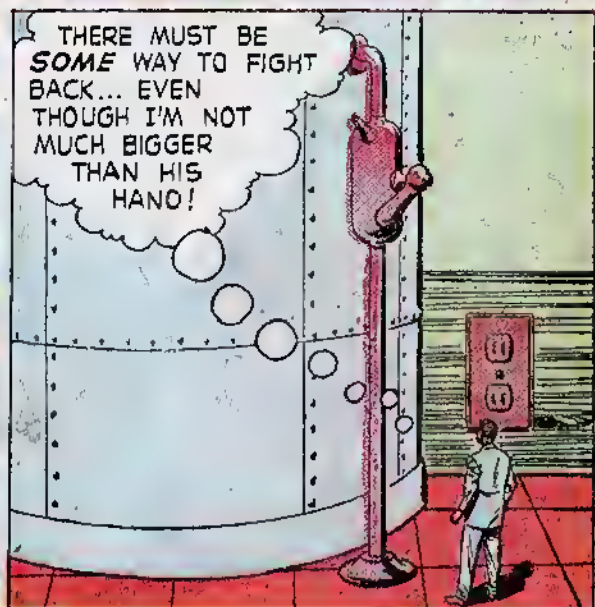
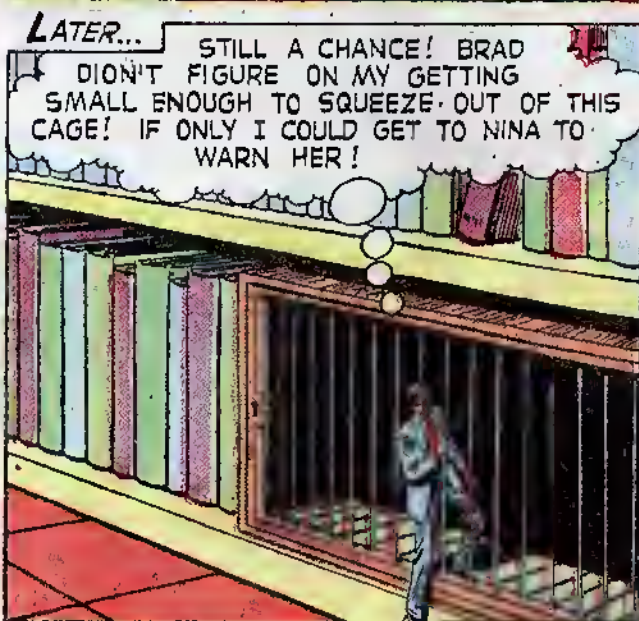
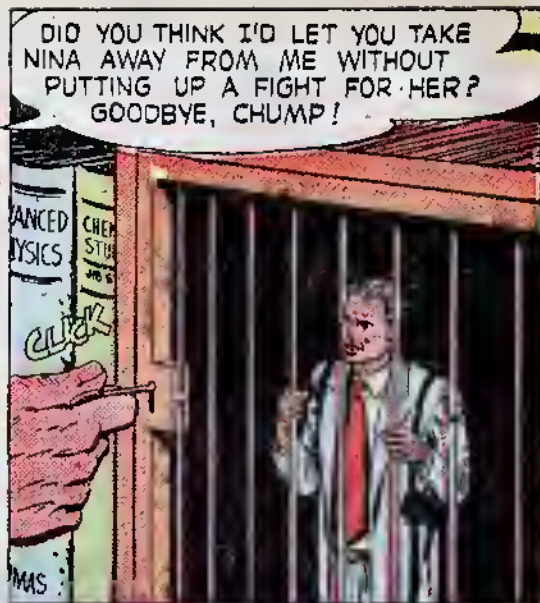
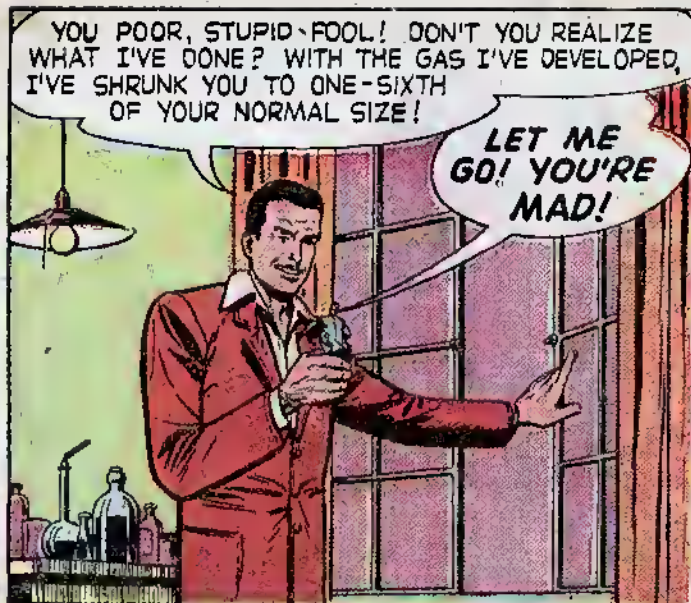
FORGET IT, CHET!
IT'S ALL OVER NOW!
CONGRATULATIONS!
HAPPY HONEYMOON,
NINA!



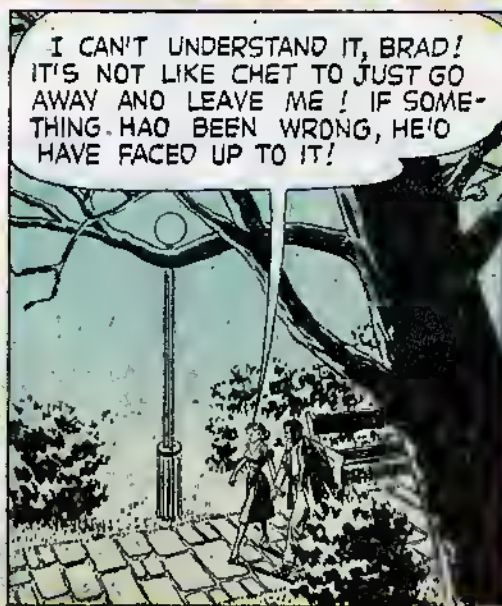
BUT IT *ISN'T* ALL OVER, CHET!
I'LL GET EVEN WITH YOU...FOR
TAKING AWAY THE ONLY GIRL
I EVER LOVED — AND I'LL
FIND THE MEANS IN THE
EXPERIMENT I'M
WORKING ON!



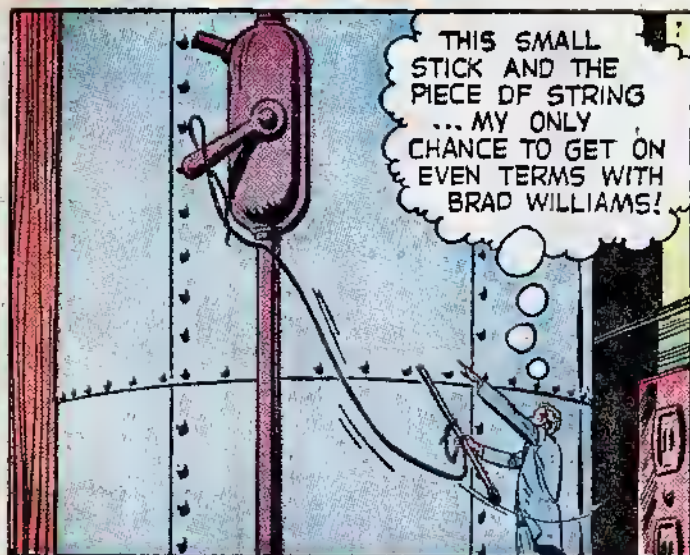




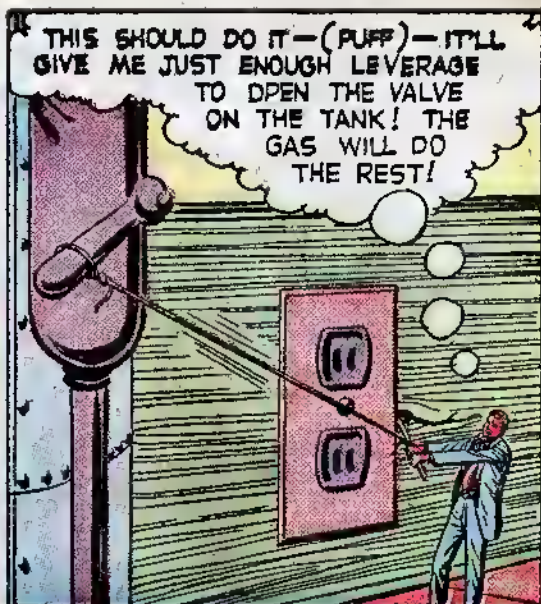
THE
DAYS
SLIPPED
BY...
NINA,
BEWILDERED
BY
THE
DISAPPEARANCE
OF
HER
HUSBAND,
TURNED
TO
BRAD
FOR
HELP...



AND BACK AT THE LABORATORY...



THIS SMALL STICK AND THE PIECE OF STRING ... MY ONLY CHANCE TO GET ON EVEN TERMS WITH BRAD WILLIAMS!



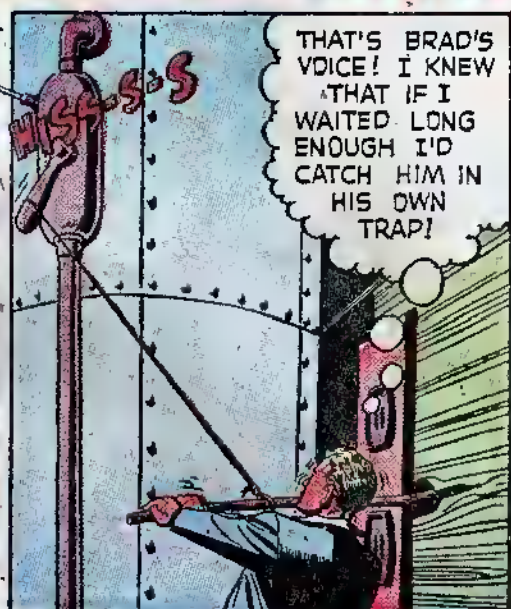
THIS SHOULD DO IT—(PUFF)—IT'LL GIVE ME JUST ENOUGH LEVERAGE TO OPEN THE VALVE ON THE TANK! THE GAS WILL DO THE REST!

FINALLY, CHET'S OPPORTUNITY ARRIVES! THERE IS A DEVELOPMENT, HOWEVER, HE HAS NOT FORE-SEEN—



I DON'T KNOW WHY, NINA, BUT CHET'S DOG JUST DOESN'T LIKE ME!

I'LL TIE HIM OUT HERE, BRAD, WHILE WE GO INTO THE LABORATORY AND YOU SHOW ME AROUND!



THAT'S BRAD'S VOICE! I KNEW THAT IF I WAITED LONG ENOUGH I'D CATCH HIM IN HIS OWN TRAP!



I DIDN'T REALIZE I'D LEFT THIS SINK IN SUCH A MESS! I MIGHT AS WELL CLEAN IT OUT AS LONG AS WE'RE HERE!

NO! NINA'S WITH HIM! AND I DON'T THINK I COULD CLOSE THE VALVE EVEN IF I COULD REACH IT!

SECONDS LATER...



BRAD! WHAT'S HAPPENED TO US? W-WE'RE ... SHRINKING!

HE ESCAPED! HE GOT TO THE GAS-TANK VALVE!



CHET! BRAD!
WH-WHAT-?!!
THE CAT! SHE'S
GOING TO
ATTACK!

WE DON'T
HAVE A CHANCE
AGAINST
HER!



CHET! GET NINA
TO A PLACE OF
SAFETY! I'LL
TRY TO HOLD
THE CAT
OFF!



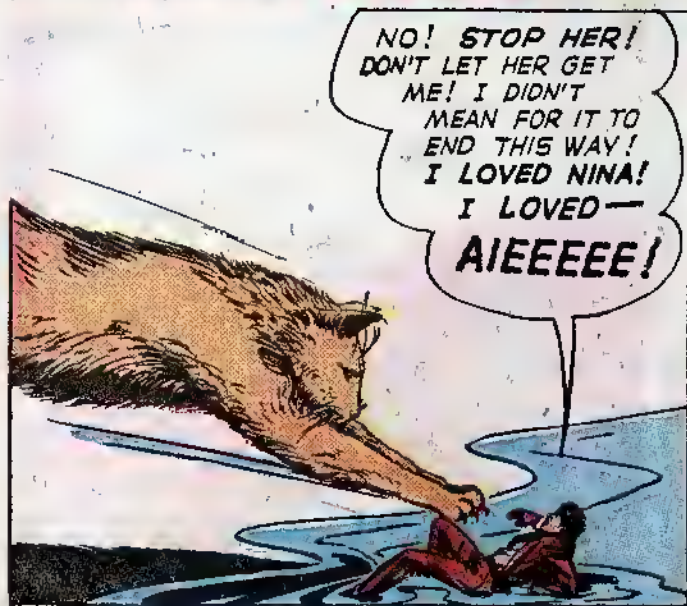
BACK!
BACK!

HISS-SS



HISS-SS

CHET! TRY TO HIDE NINA
IN THE CAGE OR
IN ONE OF THE
TEST TUBES—
OH-HHH!



NO! STOP HER!
DON'T LET HER GET
ME! I DIDN'T
MEAN FOR IT TO
END THIS WAY!
I LOVED NINA!
I LOVED—
AIEEEEE!



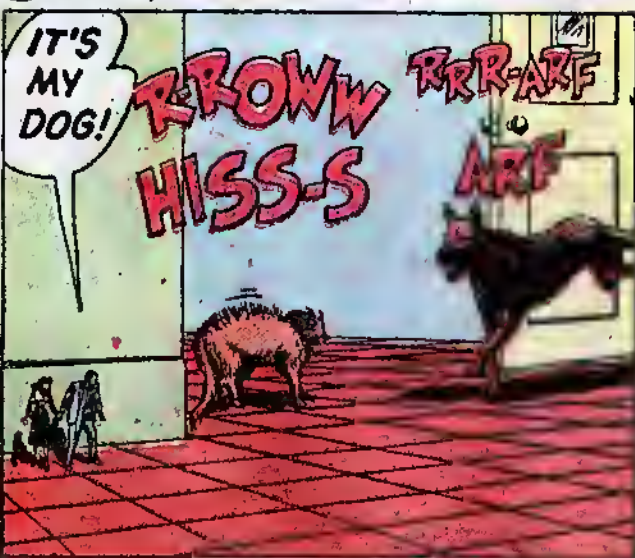
...IT'S...HORRIBLE!

I—I
CAN'T...
WATCH!



GET BEHIND ME, NINA! WE'RE NOT DONE FOR YET!

SUDDENLY, THE LAB DOOR BURSTS OPEN—



IT'S MY DOG!

RROWW RRR-ARF
HISS-S **ARF**

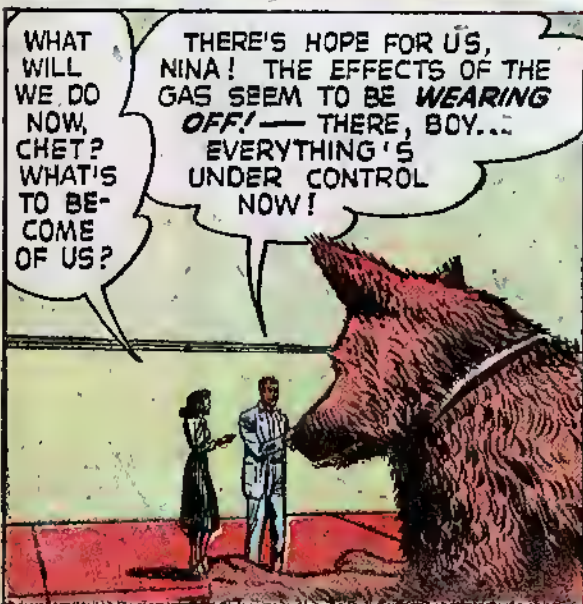


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SECONDS LATER...

DON'T GO NEAR HIM, CHET! HOW DO YOU KNOW HE WON'T ATTACK THE WAY THE CAT DID!

IT'S ALL RIGHT, NINA! RUDY KNOWS HIS MASTER— DON'T YOU, OLD BOY — EASY, FELLOW... COME HERE, BOY...



WHAT WILL WE DO NOW, CHET? WHAT'S TO BECOME OF US?

THERE'S HOPE FOR US, NINA! THE EFFECTS OF THE GAS SEEM TO BE **WEARING OFF!** — THERE, BOY... EVERYTHING'S UNDER CONTROL NOW!

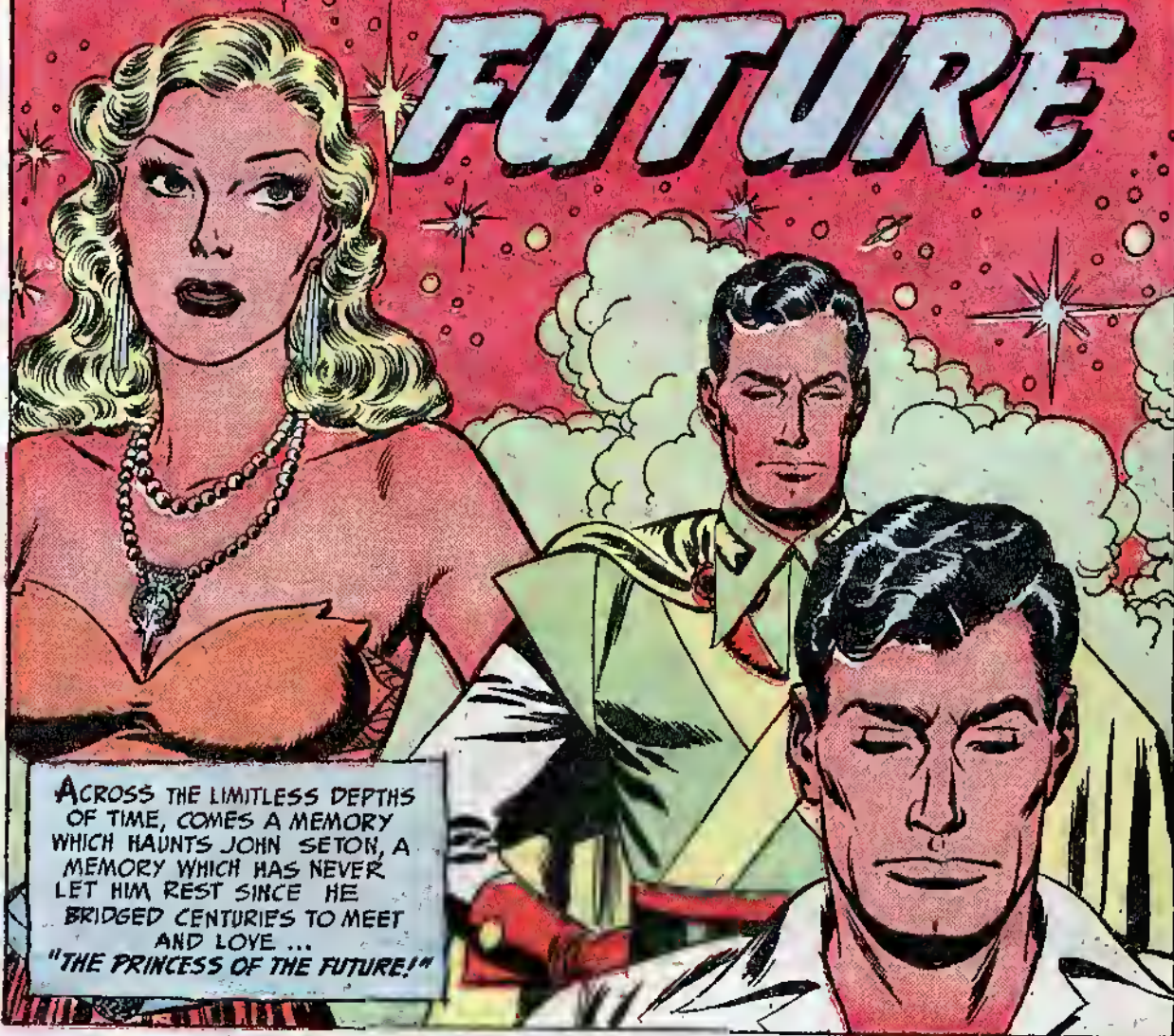
WHILE I WAS LOCKED UP HERE, I CHECKED MY HEIGHT AGAINST A MARK ON THE WALL! I'VE BEEN GROWING TALLER WITH EACH PASSING DAY! OVER A PERIOD OF TIME WE SHOULD REGAIN OUR NORMAL SIZES! SOON ALL THIS HORROR WILL END!

OH, CHET!



THE END

The PRINCESS OF THE FUTURE



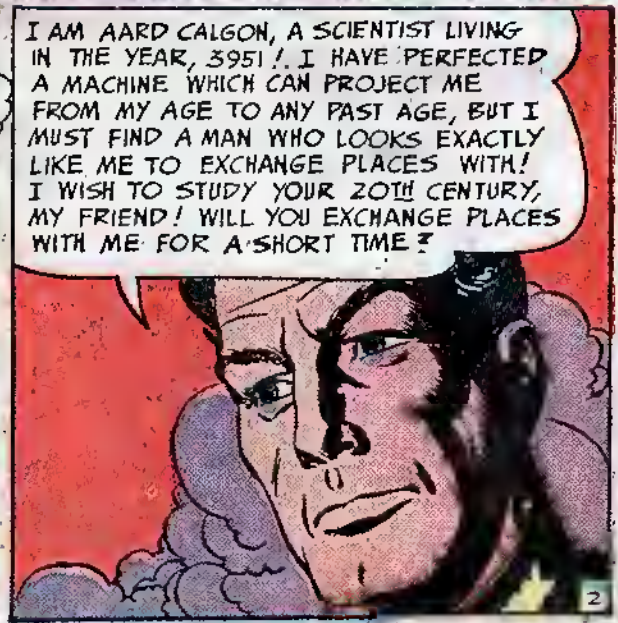
ACROSS THE LIMITLESS DEPTHS OF TIME, COMES A MEMORY WHICH HAUNTS JOHN SETON, A MEMORY WHICH HAS NEVER LET HIM REST SINCE HE BRIDGED CENTURIES TO MEET AND LOVE ...
"THE PRINCESS OF THE FUTURE!"

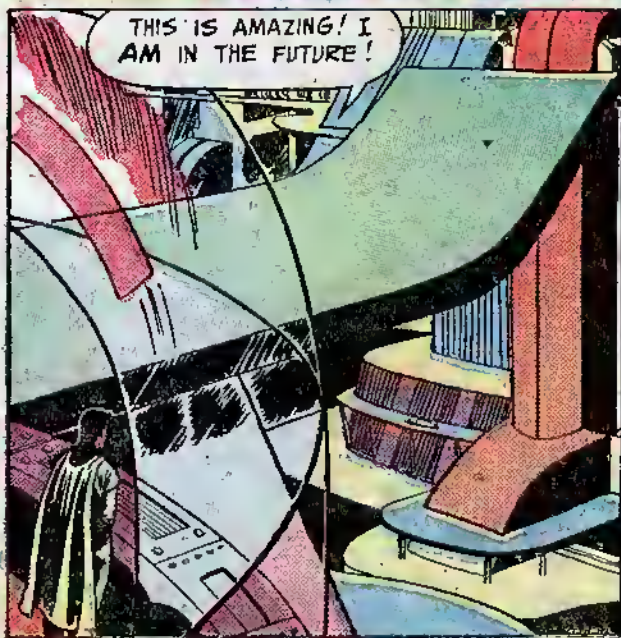
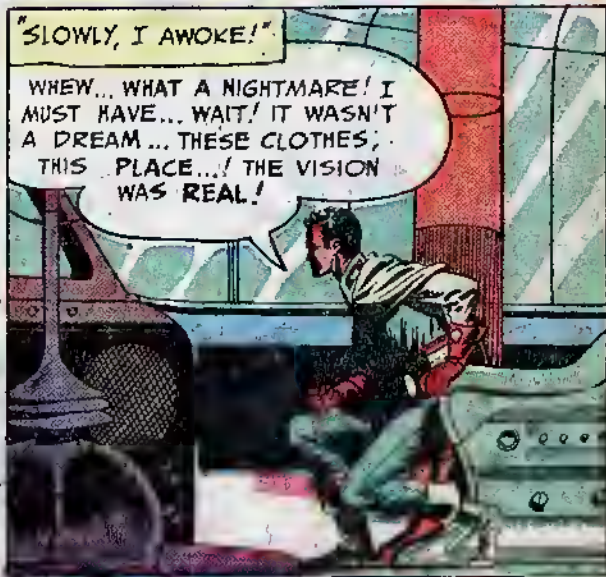
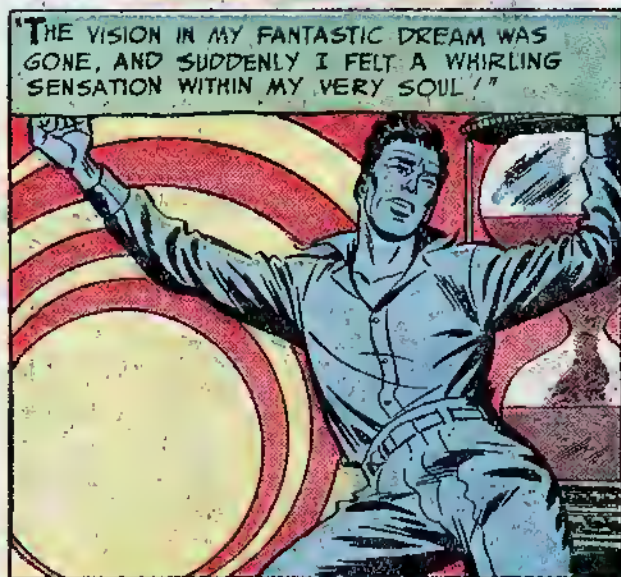
I'M JOHN SETON, A FORMER MARINE FLYER! I FLEW IN WORLD WAR II, AND LATER IN KOREA... THAT'S WHERE I SMASHED UP! THEY SENT ME HOME TO MY OLD JOB AT THE BAHK! PHYSICALLY, I HAD RECOVERED. BUT MENTALLY... WELL, I JUST COULDN'T SEEM TO ADJUST TO CIVILIAN LIFE AGAIN!



A FEW WEEKS AGO... IT WAS EVENING, AND I WAS SITTING IN MY ROOM, FEELING LOW AND SAVAGELY BORED WITH EVERYTHING, WHEN THE TELEPHONE RANG...!"







"THE FACE THAT CAME INTO THE SCREEN WAS THAT OF A GIRL SO LOVELY THAT SHE TOOK MY BREATH AWAY! I COULD HEAR A MALE ANNOUNCER'S VOICE."

VANA PARMELEE, DAUGHTER OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED GALAXY COUNSEL, HAS BEEN MISSING FOR TWO DAYS. IT IS FEARED SHE HAS BEEN KIDNAPPED!



FLASH! THE INHABITANTS OF THE PLANET MINOS HAVE MASSED SUPER SPACE WARSHIPS, AND IT IS FEARED THAT AN ATTACK UPON EARTH WILL COME AT ANY MOMENT! THEIR MACHINES OF WAR ARE FAR SUPERIOR TO ANYTHING THE UNITED GALAXY CAN PRODUCE!



AUTHORITIES SAY OUR ONLY HOPE TO AVOID INVASION LIES IN THE SUPER RAY-BLAST, INVENTED AND KNOWN ONLY TO AARD CALGON! HIS RAY-BLAST STANDS BETWEEN US AND ANNIHILATION!

AARD CALGON! THAT'S ME...OR THE MAN I'M SUPPOSED TO BE!



I DON'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THIS RAY-BLAST THING! I MUST CONTACT THE REAL AARD CALGON... HE SAID I COULD, THROUGH THE MACHINE THAT INTERCHANGED OUR BODIES!

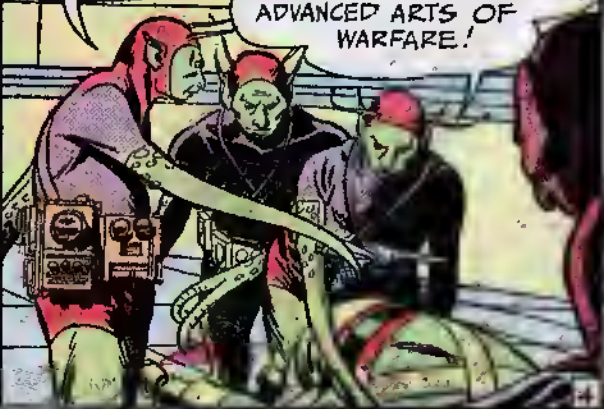


"I SENSED, RATHER THAN HEARD, AN ALIEN PRESENCE BEHIND ME! I TURNED, AND HAD ONE HORRIBLE GLIMPSE BEFORE PAIN-SHOT DARKNESS ENFOLDED ME!"



HURRY! WE MUST GET HIM BACK TO MINOS BEFORE THE U.G. PATROL SHIPS GET A RADAR REPLACEMENT ON US!

WE'LL THROW OUT A SHIELD OF INVISIBILITY AS WE DID COMING IN! THESE EARTHLINGS HAVE BEEN AT PEACE SO LONG THAT THEY KNOW LITTLE OF THE ADVANCED ARTS OF WARFARE!



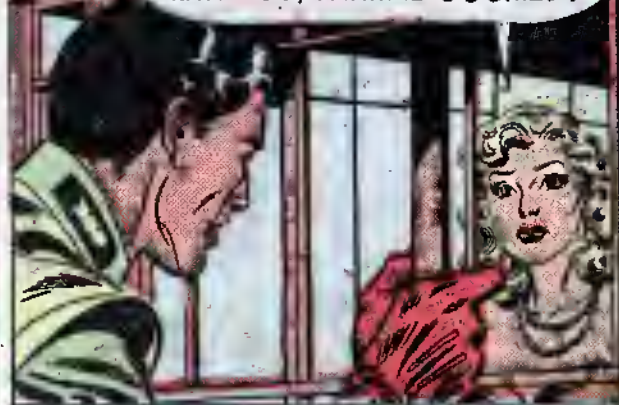
"I AWOKE IN A CAGE, BREATHING A STRANGE SORT OF ACID-TAINTED AIR, AND WITH THE SOUND OF A LOVELY VOICE IN MY EARS..."

ARE YOU ALL RIGHT, AARD CALGON?



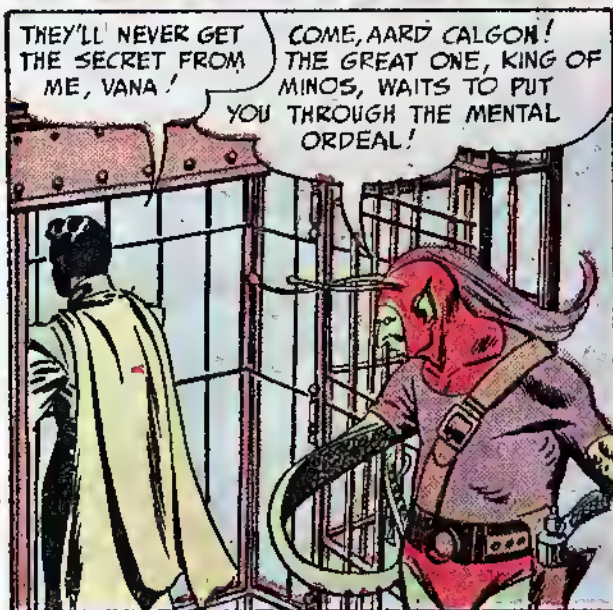
IT'S... VANA PARMALEE?

YES! THE MINOSIANS KIDNAPPED ME TO PUT PRESSURE ON MY FATHER! THEY'VE BEEN AFRAID TO ATTACK EARTH... AFRAID OF YOUR NEW RAY-BLAST! BUT, NOW THAT THEY HAVE YOU, EARTH IS DOOMED!



THEY'LL NEVER GET THE SECRET FROM ME, VANA!

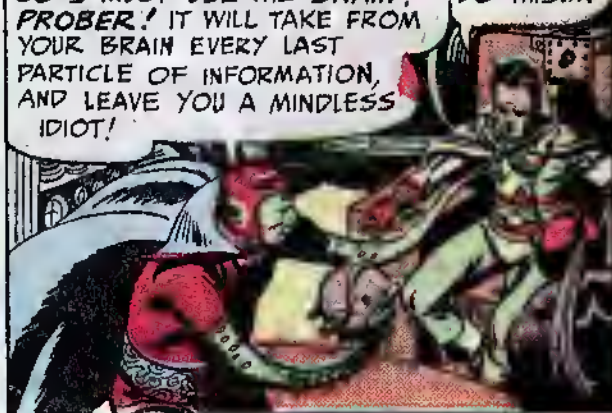
COME, AARD CALGON! THE GREAT ONE, KING OF MINOS, WANTS TO PUT YOU THROUGH THE MENTAL ORDEAL!



I WAS LED TO A MONSTROUS MINOSIAN... THE KING OF THESE UHHUMAN CREATURES!"

AARD CALGON, I KNOW YOU WILL NOT GIVE US THE SECRET OF YOUR RAY-BLAST VOLUNTARILY, SO I MUST USE THE BRAIN PROBER! IT WILL TAKE FROM YOUR BRAIN EVERY LAST PARTICLE OF INFORMATION, AND LEAVE YOU A MINDLESS IDIOT!

WAIT! IT'S USELESS... YOU CAN'T DO THIS...!



"BUT THEY STRAPPED ME TO THE CHAIR AND I FELT COLD METAL CLAMPED TO MY HEAD! MY LAST THOUGHT WAS OF VANA PARMALEE..."



I STOPPED BEFORE THE MACHINE DAMAGED YOUR BRAIN! AN INTERESTING STORY... JOHN SETON! I NOW KNOW THE WHOLE STORY! PERHAPS I CAN STILL MAKE USE OF YOU! GUARD, TAKE HIM BACK!



IF I COULD GET THE GUN AND KEYS THE JAILER HAS, I COULD FREE VANA! WE COULD MAKE A RUN FOR THOSE SPACE SHIPS OUTSIDE, AND MAYBE...



IT'S WORTH THE CHANCE...!

UGHHHHHHH!

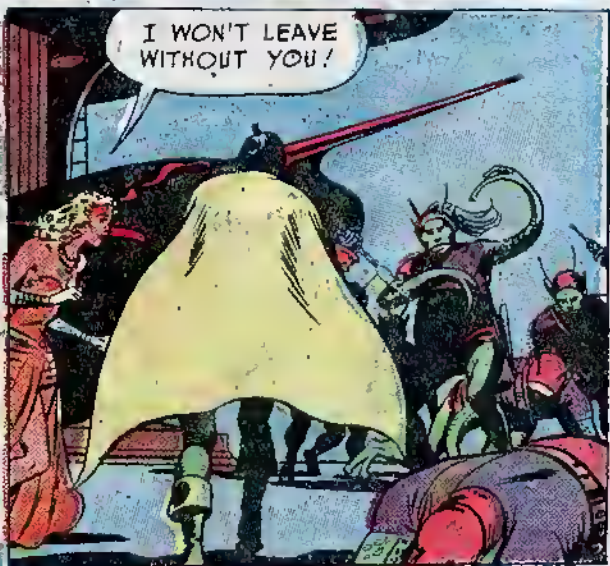


QUICK! TRY TO GET TO ONE OF THOSE SHIPS OUTSIDE! I'LL HOLD THEM OFF! IF IT LOOKS LIKE THEY'LL GET ME, TAKE OFF ALONE! CAN YOU FLY THE SHIP?

YES!



I WON'T LEAVE WITHOUT YOU!



IT'S SET FOR A TAKE-OFF! GET IN, AARD... QUICKLY!

IT'S NO USE! LEAVE ME, VANA... BLAST OFF!



THEY CAME AT ME FROM ALL DIRECTIONS! THEN JUST AS I WAS GOING DOWN, THEY SEEMED TO MELT BEFORE ME, AND I WAS FREE!

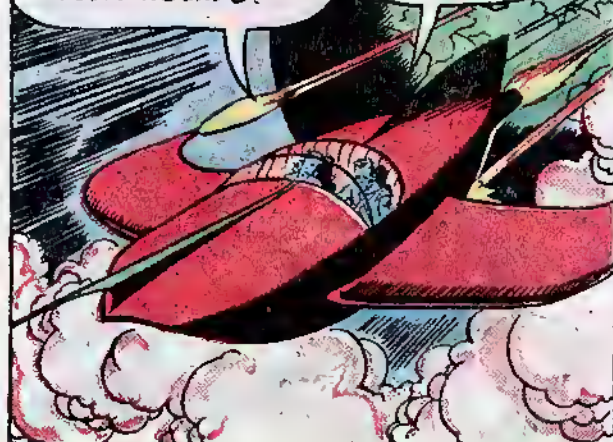
I FOUND A HAND BLASTER IN THE SHIP! HURRY... JUMP IN!



"MOMENTS LATER, WE WERE ON OUR WAY..."

YOU'RE HURT! I'LL SET
THE CONTROLS ON
AUTOMATIC AND TEND
YOUR WOUNDS!

THEY'RE NOTHING!
MERELY
SCRATCHES!



YOU'VE CHANGED, AARD!
LESS OF A SCIENTIST...
MORE OF A MAN! I
LIKE YOU SO MUCH
MORE, THIS WAY... I
LIKE YOU A... A LOT!

VANA, I'VE LOVED
YOU FROM THE
MOMENT I FIRST
SAW YOUR LOVELY
FACE! VANA... MY
DARLING...!



"AND AS WE HURTTLED TOWARD EARTH I KNEW
I HAD FOUND THE ONE I COULD LOVE WITH
ALL MY HEART!"

EARTH, AT LAST! AARD,
IT'S JUST OCCURRED
TO ME! WHY DIDN'T THE
MINOSIANS PURSUE US?

I THINK I KNOW
THE ANSWER,
VANA!



"WE LANDED ON THE BALCONY OUTSIDE THE
LABORATORY..."

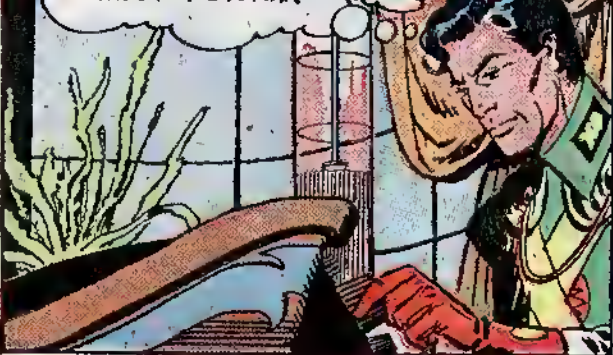
VANA, GO INTO THE INNER
ROOM. CONTACT YOUR
FATHER AND TELL HIM OF
YOUR SAFE RETURN! I
HAVE SOMETHING URGENT
TO DO! GOOD-BYE, MY
DEAREST!

AARD... YOU
TALK AS THOUGH
WE'RE PARTING
FOREVER!



"I DIDN'T HAVE THE HEART TO TELL HER! I
STOOD BEFORE THE INTERCHANGE MACHINE,
WITH CONFLICTING EMOTIONS!"

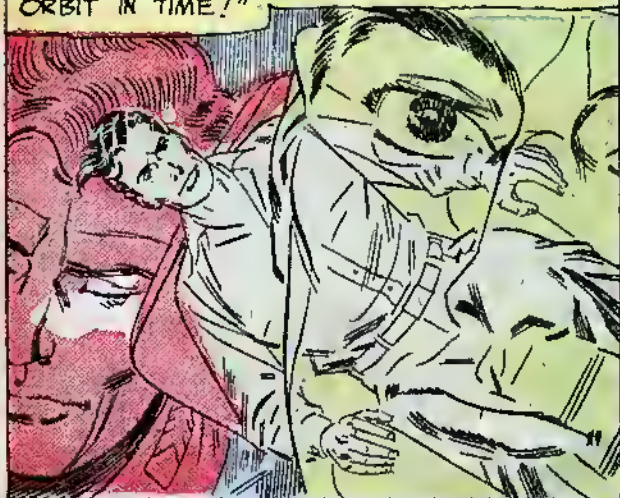
ONLY THE REAL AARD CALGON CAN
SAVE THE WORLD... THAT'S WHY THE
KING OF MINOS DIDN'T PURSUE US.
HE KNEW, I, JOHN SETON, COULD DO
NOTHING TO STOP HIM! I
MUST RETURN!



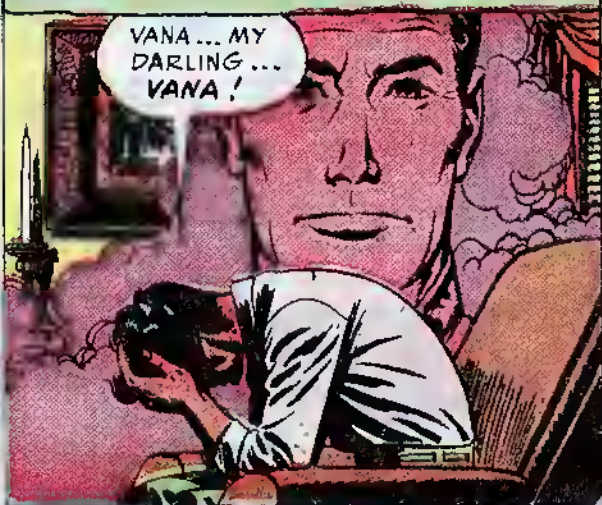
FAREWELL, VANA...
FAREWELL, MY LOVE...
FOREVER!



"I PULLED THE LEVER. THEN CAME THE WHIRLING FLASH OF RETREATING EONS, AND I WAS BACK ONCE MORE IN MY OWN ORBIT IN TIME!"



"THEN CAME DAYS OF AGONY! I DIDN'T LEAVE MY ROOM... REFUSED TO ANSWER TELEPHONE OR DOORBELL!"



ONCE AGAIN I COME TO YOU, JOHN SETON! WHILE I LIVED AS YOU, IN YOUR CENTURY, I MET YOUR FIANCEE, MARCIA! I LOVE HER, JOHN! I WISH TO RETURN TO YOUR CENTURY... AND TO HER, FOREVER! WILL YOU CHANGE PLACES AGAIN WITH ME, JOHN... THIS TIME NEVER TO RETURN?

BUT THE WAR... THE MINOSIANS!



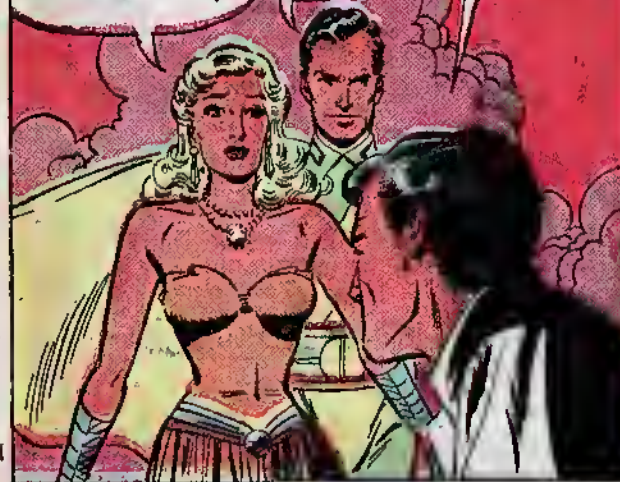
BUT THE WAR IS ALMOST OVER, AND THE MINOSIANS FOREVER CRUSHED BY MY SUPER-RAY! THERE WILL BE NO MORE WARS FOR CENTURIES! WE CAN MAKE THE EXCHANGE IF YOU ARE WILLING! HERE IS SOMEONE ELSE TO SPEAK TO YOU AND HELP YOU DECIDE!



AARD HAS TOLD ME ALL! COME BACK TO ME, JOHN SETON... COME BACK!!

WHAT IS YOUR ANSWER, JOHN?

YES! YES! SOON, AARD! PLEASE... SOON!



THAT'S THE STORY! I'M JUST MARKING TIME, NOW... WAITING TO HEAR AGAIN FROM AARD! AND THEN, I SHALL TRAVEL ONCE AGAIN THROUGH TIME... THIS TIME TO STAY... BY THE SIDE OF MY... PRINCESS OF THE FUTURE!



BLOOD STANDS FOR FREEDOM

Makoskalacs, the Martian secretary of state, shook his enormous round head and scratched his forehead with one of his eight tentacles. He twisted his features into what John Alden had learned to identify as the equivalent of a smile back on Earth. Then he spoke, his voice the thin, reedy hiss which indicated great inner amusement and more than a little contempt.

"You Earth men," he said, "are becoming annoying to the overlords of Mars. We permit you to remain here as ambassador from your planet, because it amuses us. But I must warn you that the Supreme Martian, Almasretes, will not permit you to interfere in our affairs. What we overlords do with the masses of contemptible underlings on our planet concerns us alone, and if you persist in bothering us with your silly speeches and memorandums about this nonsense you call 'equality' and 'freedom,' we will send you home and not permit you to come back here."

John Alden choked back the hot words of wrath which rose to his lips, and forced himself to nod politely. "Of course, Mr. Secretary of State," he replied, "I concede that as ambassador from Earth, I may not interfere in your internal affairs——"

"You couldn't," interrupted the Martian contemptuously. "Even if we permitted more than one of you Earth people to live on Mars at any time you could do nothing. But as it is, with only one of you allowed here to represent your country and arrange for the purchase of the uranium you need so desperately, and which we have in superabundance, you are as helpless as a new-born baby."

"I know," continued Alden, ignoring the interruption. "Inasmuch as you do not wish me to repeat my plea that you overlords, less than a thousand all told, grant liberty and freedom to the millions of Martians whom you have enslaved, I must accede to your wishes. I merely point out that on Earth there have been tyrannies in the past, and all have vanished. Today, with all the peoples of the Earth completely free and liberated, and all races and nations equal, we have happiness and progress. It is my thought that you could attain the same results on Mars."

"We have all the happiness we overlords want," snapped the octopus-like Martian. "What happens to the underlings is of no concern to us."

When John Alden returned to the small plastic-steel structure which had been assigned to him as

dwelling-place, he found his communicator light flashing rapidly on and off, indicating a desire for contact from Earth. He flicked on the switch, established contact, and within a few moments heard the familiar voice of Robert Starr, president of the Earth Government.

"John," said the president, "I'm afraid you'll have to come back home for a short time. I'm sorry to say that I've received a complaint from the Martians that you've been attempting to interfere in their internal affairs, and the only basis on which they'll agree to let you stay as ambassador from Earth is if you come back here for official instructions that your duties are simply to supervise the loading of the uranium they're shipping us. Unofficially I can tell you that this is simply in the nature of a whip they're cracking over us, to show you that if they want, they can have you recalled for reprimand, but we need the uranium so desperately that there's nothing I can do."

"Don't worry about it, sir," replied Alden slowly. "I'll leave now."

When Alden's space-ship had landed him at the Interplanetary Spaceport in New Washington, the ambassador looked around for a cab to take him to the White House. Instead, a competent-looking pilot saluted crisply. "Mr. Ambassador," he said "I'm Capt. Banning. Will you come this way, sir? President's orders. We're to fly you to Alaska for a meeting."

"Why Alaska?" asked Alden, wonderingly. "Why not the White House?"

Banning shook his head. "No idea, sir. But I had the orders direct from the president himself. Shall we go?"

The fast jet plane took off, and less than an hour later Alden was being shown into a small room right next to the hangars on the little airbase way out on a tiny Aleutian island. The president of the Earth Government rose to greet him.

"John," said the president gravely, "I'm glad you're back. I want a full report on conditions, and I want you to let it be heard by this gentleman here," he nodded toward an elderly man who was standing by the window. "John Alden, ambassador to Mars," he continued, "this is Dr. Jonathan Harrod."

Dr. Harrod and Alden shook hands. Then Alden

began his report, telling of the terrible slavery existing on Mars, of the cruel and inhuman tortures being inflicted on the helpless millions by the overlords and their troops, who alone had any arms or ammunition, and of the complete refusal of the overlords even to consider any change in conditions. "If we could only figure out some way of getting an army onto the surface of Mars, sir," he concluded; "if we could get through their powerful defenses which ring the planet, we could easily overpower their troops and capture the overlords. Then their outer defenses would collapse, and we could bring freedom and liberty to the people! I've been racking my brains for a way out, but I haven't been able to find it, sir! But there *must* be a way!"

The president nodded gravely. "You're right, John. There is a way, and we have Dr. Harrod to thank for it. Not only we, but all the millions of Martians whom we shall soon liberate. I think it would be better if Dr. Harrod explained it to you himself." He turned to the professor. "Won't you, please?"

Dr. Harrod nodded. "Of course. Since Mr. Alden is such an important key figure in our plans, he has to know the whole situation." He pulled up a chair next to Alden's, and spoke earnestly. "Now, here's the idea, Mr. Alden . . ."

The grey Aleutian fogs, the thickest in the world, hide much of what is going on, on the ground. Nobody was watching, of course, but even the sharpest eyes hovering about would have been unable to tell what happened to the endless stream of cargo and carrier planes which converged on the tiny island during the next two weeks. All that would have been visible would have been the sight of the planes, following each other as closely as subway cars, streaming in from all quarters of the compass and then streaming out again after a short wait at the landing fields. But what happened while they were on the fields, nobody could have told.

At the end of the two-week period, an official announcement was released to the press of the world, and beamed on micro-wave to the Martian government listening station. It said merely: "The president of the Earth Government, having briefed the ambassador to Mars on the exact nature of his duties and the limitations which have been placed on his conduct in office, announces that the ambassador will return to Mars to represent the Earth on that planet."

The space ship carrying Alden back to Mars deposited the ambassador at the spaceport. Alden hurried to the office of Makoskalacs, the secretary of state, to present his credentials, noticing once more the contemptuously amused smile on his leathery features. Then he was permitted to retire

to his own dwelling, which was immediately surrounded by guards.

Alden stripped off his clothes and headed for the shower, for which he had brought a quantity of water from Earth because of the great shortage of that vital commodity on Mars. He glanced for a second at his left forearm, where a tiny patch of adhesive tape covered what could have been a very small sore or scratch, and smiled briefly to himself.

After his shower, Alden opened his suitcases, and took out a small box which looked like a portable radio, complete with dials and opening for a speaker. He pulled out a hypodermic syringe, carefully sterilized the needle, and, plunging it into the tiny mark on his left arm which had been revealed when he removed the adhesive tape, drew out a quantity of blood, which he then carefully discharged into a tiny hole on top of the radio-like box!

Drawing a deep breath, Alden turned knobs until he had them exactly to his liking, and then pressed a switch on the side of the box. Instantly there was a soft humming, and from the speaker opening in the front of the box came a stream of dust particles which flowed on endlessly.

As the dust hit the floor, each particle grew rapidly! Each grain swelled and took shape, and as Alden watched with bated breath, each revealed itself as a fully-armed and equipped combat infantryman, growing instantly to full size and marching rapidly in formation through the door of his dwelling!

For an hour Alden sat by the machine, watching with rising hopes. At that time, with the stream of troops continuing unabated, he heard the first footsteps of the returning lead troops. Their commander saluted crisply. "All clear, sir," he reported. "Every power station is in our hands, the overlords and their soldiers our prisoners. And the ring of defenses outside the planet have all surrendered. Word is being spread as rapidly as possible to the people, that they are free and can elect their own government, just like we have on Earth!"

Alden smiled happily. He snapped his communicator on, and got into instant touch with the anxiously-waiting president and Dr. Harrod. "Everything worked just the way you planned, gentlemen," he announced. "Dr. Harrod's method of shrinking the armies of the world to microbe size and injecting them into my blood didn't harm them or me in the least. When I drew out the blood and re-converted them to normal size, they were as good as they ever had been!"

"Mars is free!"

THE END

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She came to Earth, an eerie visitor from the misty regions of unfathomable space! Why had she come? What was she—Woman or Witch? What was she searching for in our world? And why had she singled out Jahn Grant as the pawn in her incredible game of interplanetary chess?

THE BEAUTIFUL ROBOT!



He worshipped her—for "she" was his own creation!—lovelier than Venus—more bewitching than Helen of Troy! But then "she" learned the human passions—jealousy—hatred and love! ...???



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THE COSMIC BRAIN

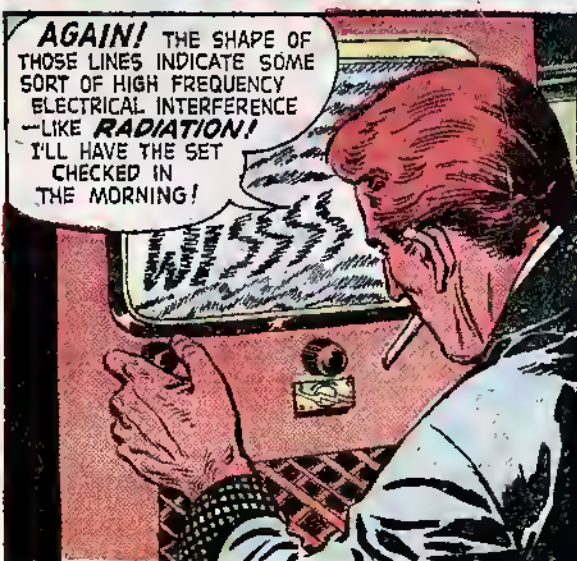
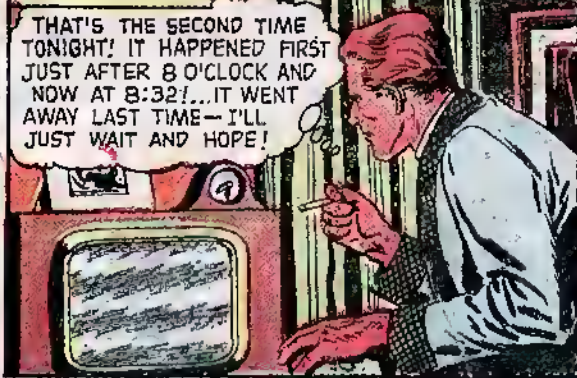
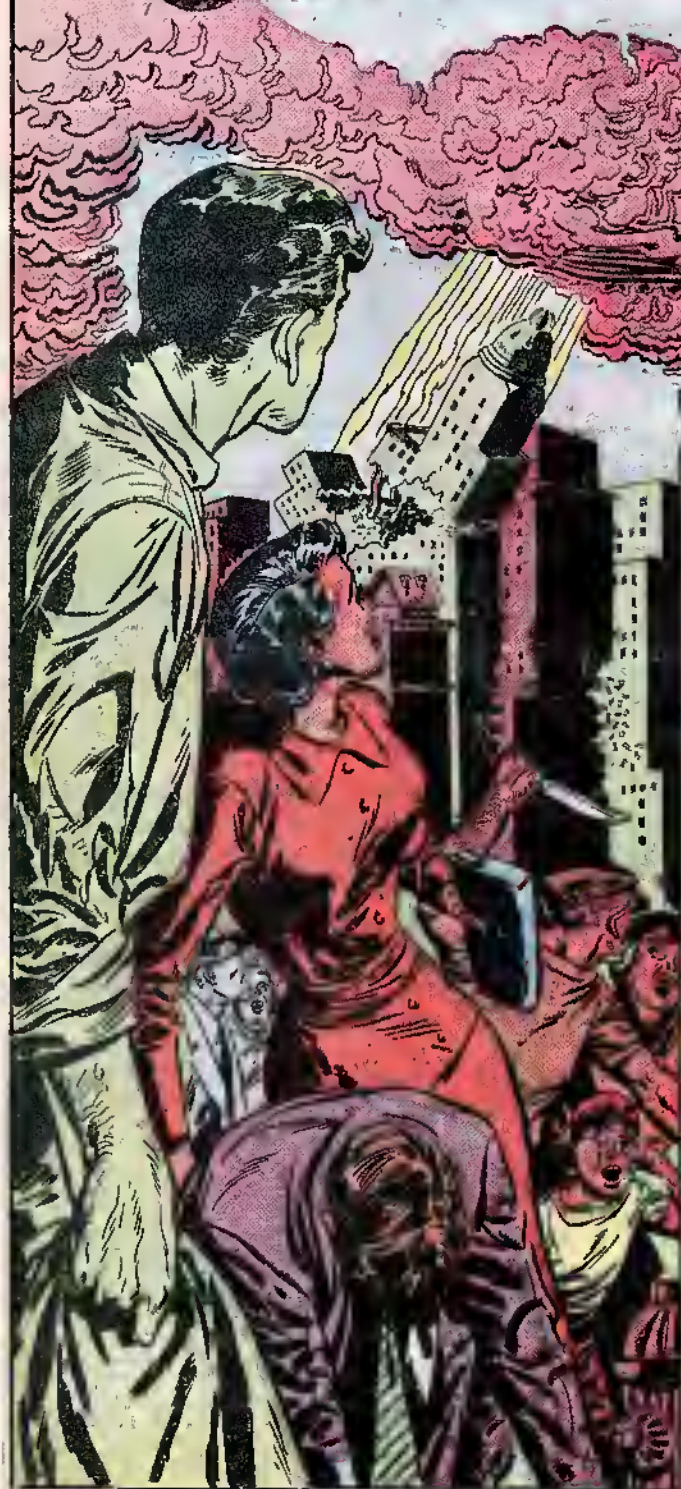
AT FIRST IT WAS ONLY A FEW JAGGED LINES WEAVING A STRANGE PATTERN ON A TELEVISION SCREEN, THEN IT BECAME A MURDEROUS POWER! FINALLY, IT WAS AN INFLUENCE OF ULTIMATE EVIL, FORGING ITS OWN WEAPON OF WITHERING DOOM! IT HOVERED OVER THE CITY...THREATENING, MERCILESS, A MASSIVE CLOUD SHAPED LIKE A HUMAN BRAIN...THE MIND OF THE DEVIL INCARNATE...

...*The Cosmic Brain!*

AS BRETT DONALDSON SITS IN FRONT OF HIS TELEVISION SET, HOPING FOR A BRIEF RESPIRE FROM HIS SCIENTIFIC LABORS IN ATOMIC RESEARCH, GROTESQUE PATTERNS CRISS-CROSS HIS SCREEN...

THAT'S THE SECOND TIME TONIGHT! IT HAPPENED FIRST JUST AFTER 8 O'CLOCK AND NOW AT 8:32!...IT WENT AWAY LAST TIME—I'LL JUST WAIT AND HOPE!

AGAIN! THE SHAPE OF THOSE LINES INDICATE SOME SORT OF HIGH FREQUENCY ELECTRICAL INTERFERENCE—LIKE **RADIATION!** I'LL HAVE THE SET CHECKED IN THE MORNING!

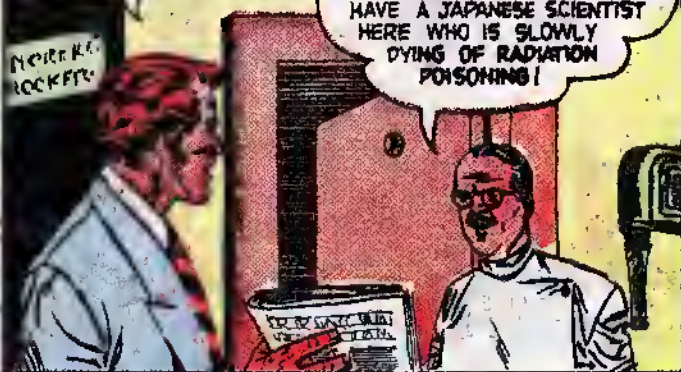


**THREE ATOMIC SCIENTISTS DIED
LAST NIGHT! ONE AT 8:01, ANOTHER
AT 8:32 AND A THIRD AT 8:47 — ALL IN
DIFFERENT PLACES BUT ALL FROM
ATOMIC RADIATION! ... WHY THOSE
ARE THE EXACT THREE TIMES I GOT
INTERFERENCE ON MY TELEVISION SET!**



ARE YOU CERTAIN, DOCTOR,
THAT ALL THREE DEATHS
WERE DUE TO
ATOMIC RADIATION?

POSITIVE! I SHOULD BE
ABLE TO ANALYZE RADIATION
BURNS—I WAS ONE OF THE
FIRST ALLIED DOCTORS IN
HIROSHIMA! IN FACT WE
HAVE A JAPANESE SCIENTIST
HERE WHO IS SLOWLY
DYING OF RADIATION
POISONING!



THIS IS PROFESSOR
HIGI YOSHOWA! PROFESSOR
DONALDSON IS INVESTIGATING
THE DEATHS OF THE THREE
SCIENTISTS LAST EVENING.
FUNNY THING ABOUT IT—
THEY WERE ALL CONNECTED
WITH THE ATOMIC
COMMISSION!

PERHAPS
THEY WERE
MORE FORTUNATE
THAN I—DYING
IMMEDIATELY
FROM RADIATION,
PARTICULARLY
AS MY LINGERING
MOMENTS
ARE HAUNTED BY
A DREADFUL
MEMORY...

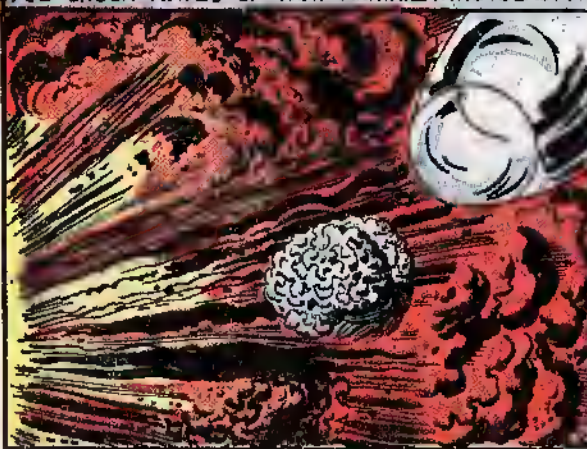


"I WAS HEAD OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMPARATIVE PHYSIOLOGY AT A LEADING UNIVERSITY IN JAPAN. I WAS STUDYING A BRAIN — AN UNUSUAL BRAIN — THAT OF JAPAN'S WORST CRIMINAL, KON TIRI... [REDACTED]

GENTLEMEN, WE SHOULD FIND THIS BRAIN DIFFERENT FROM ALL WE HAVE EXAMINED! THIS BRAIN HAD ONLY ONE THOUGHT--MURDER! CRIME WAS ITS ONLY OBSSESSIVE OCCUPATION FOR TEN LONG YEARS OF GHASTLY TERROR...



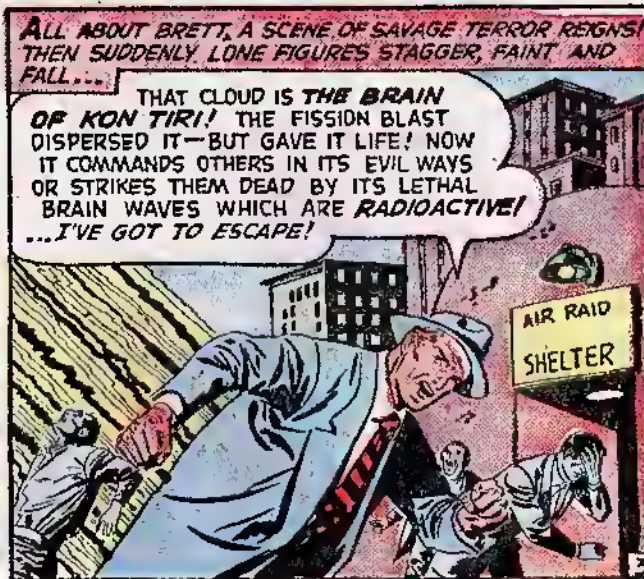
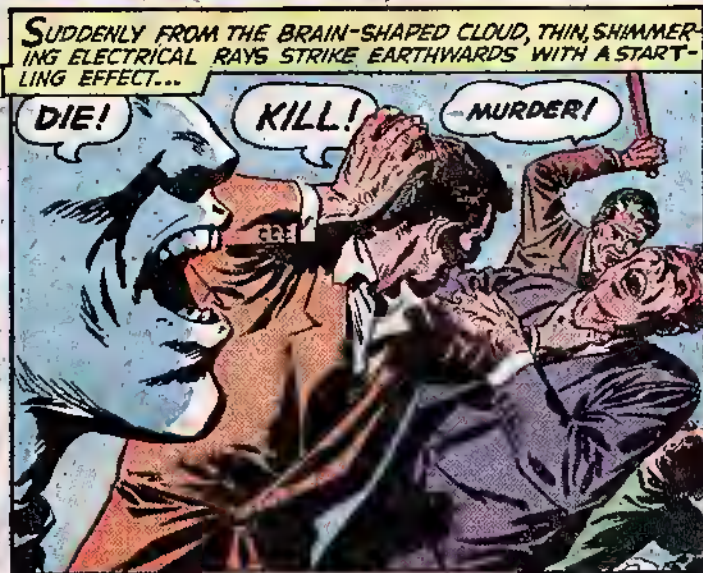
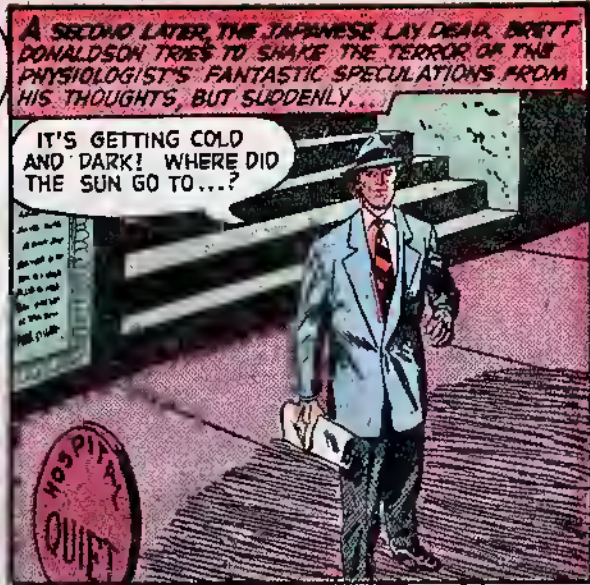
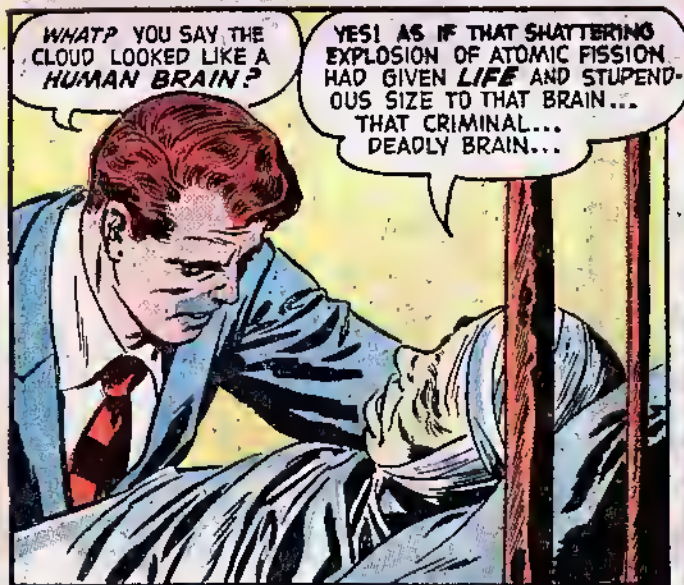
"THE ALARM HAD SCARCELY SOUNDED WHEN A SHATTERING EXPLOSION BURST THE AIR! EVERYTHING IN THAT LABORATORY WAS SCORCHED BY THE INTOLERABLE HEAT AND SHATTERED BY THE POWERFUL SHOCK WAVES OF THAT ANNIHILATING BLAST!



"WHEN I CAME 70 HOURS LATER, I WAS LYING ON THE GROUND BURNED AND BLEEDING IN THE RUINS OF THE LABORATORY! I ALONE OF THOSE IN THAT DISINTEGRATED ROOM SURVIVED! MY FATE WAS TO BE THE LINGERING DEATH OF RADIATION POISONING — THE BLAST WAS AT HIROSHIMA, FROM YOUR A-BOMB! ABOVE THE CITY A STRANGE SPECTRAL CLOUD FORMED."

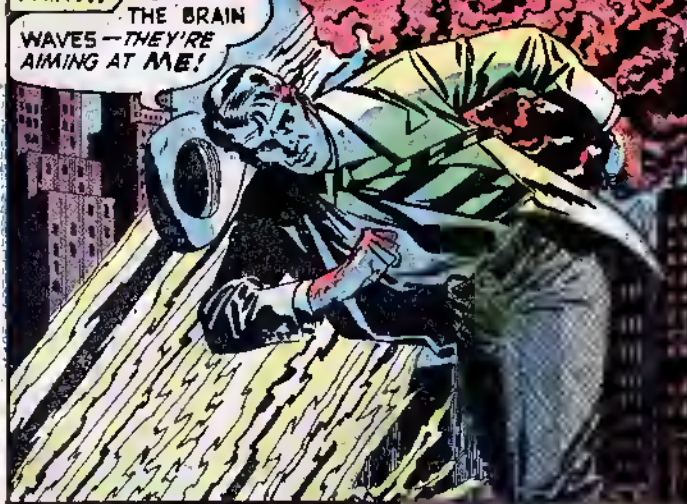
THAT CLOUD...IT ALMOST
SEEMS A THOUSANDFOLD
COPY OF...KON TIRI'S
SINISTER BRAIN...





AS THE SCIENTIST RUSHES FORWARD FOR A LEAD-LINED SHELTER, SUDDENLY HIS WHOLE BODY TINGLES IN ELECTRIC PAIN...

THE BRAIN WAVES—THEY'RE AIMING AT ME!



GOT TO REACH THAT LEAD SHELTER BEFORE I'M EXPOSED...TO A LETHAL RADIOACTIVE DOSE...

AIR RAID SHELTER



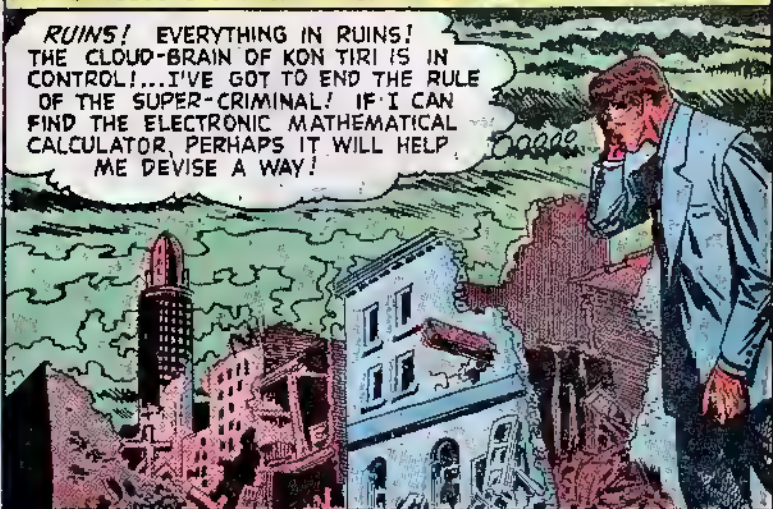
AS BRETT REACHES SAFETY, HE IS BARELY CONSCIOUS

SAFE!



TWO DAYS LATER BRETT DONALDSON REGAINS CONSCIOUSNESS AND STRUGGLES OUT OF THE SHELTER INTO A NIGHTMARE WORLD.

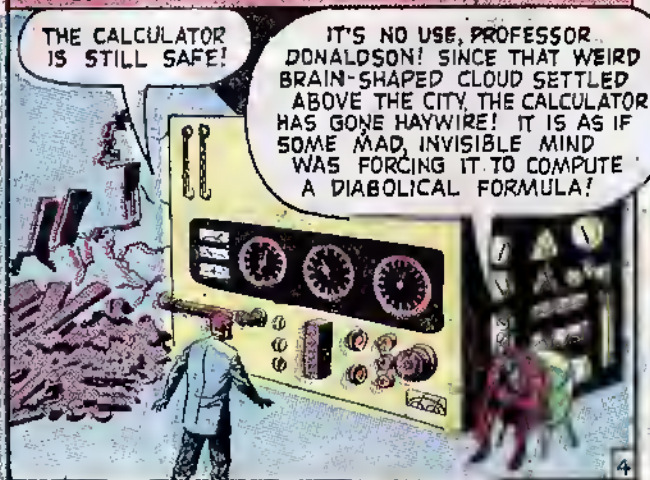
RUINS! EVERYTHING IN RUINS! THE CLOUD-BRAIN OF KON TIRI IS IN CONTROL!...I'VE GOT TO END THE RULE OF THE SUPER-CRIMINAL! IF I CAN FIND THE ELECTRONIC MATHEMATICAL CALCULATOR, PERHAPS IT WILL HELP ME DEVISE A WAY!



THROUGH THE RUINS AND AVERTING HIS GAZE FROM THE SIGHT OF SAVAGE TERROR IN AN EVIL-RULED WORLD, BRETT ADVANCES TO THE BUILDING THAT HOUSED THE ELECTRONIC CALCULATOR...

THE CALCULATOR IS STILL SAFE!

IT'S NO USE, PROFESSOR DONALDSON! SINCE THAT WEIRD BRAIN-SHAPED CLOUD SETTLED ABOVE THE CITY, THE CALCULATOR HAS GONE HAYWIRE! IT IS AS IF SOME MAD, INVISIBLE MIND WAS FORCING IT TO COMPUTE A DIABOLICAL FORMULA!

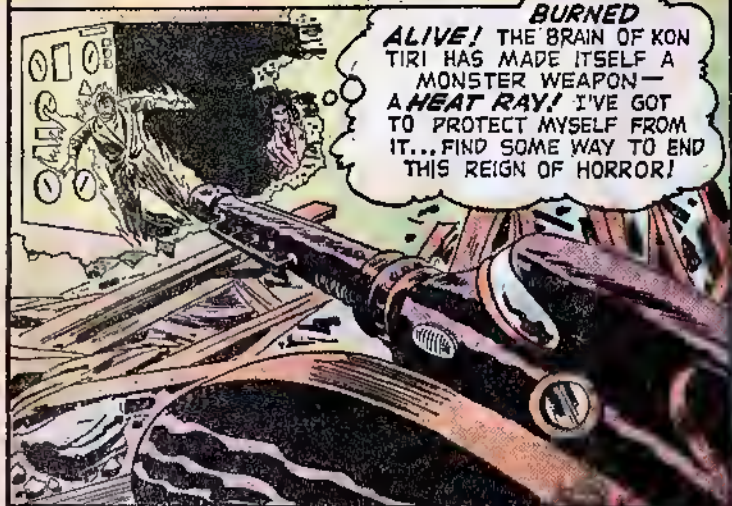


WHAT COULD IT POSSIBLY HAVE BEEN TRYING TO FORMULATE?

LOOK!



SUDDENLY A PONDEROUS MACHINE ROLLS DOWN THE STREET. POINTING ITS LONG NOZZLE AT THE MAN, IT LAUNCHES A BLINDING FLASH OF WITHERING HEAT...



BURNED ALIVE! THE BRAIN OF KON TIRI HAS MADE ITSELF A MONSTER WEAPON— A **HEAT RAY!** I'VE GOT TO PROTECT MYSELF FROM IT... FIND SOME WAY TO END THIS REIGN OF HORROR!

WITH DESPERATE HASTE, BRETT MAKES AN INSULATED SUIT OF LEAD ARMOR, CAPABLE OF WITHSTANDING HEAT AND RADIATION. THEN HE SEEKS OUT THE INFERNAL MACHINE...

IF I CAN FIND THAT HEAT RAY AND CONTROL IT... I CAN TURN IT AGAINST KON TIRI'S BRAIN AND DESTROY IT! THIS THERMAL INDICATOR POINTS TO A HEAT CONCENTRATION THIS WAY... **HERE IT IS!**



IT'S MAN-OPERATED! THOSE DEVILS MUST BE CONTROLLED BY KON TIRI'S BRAIN! THEY DON'T SEE ME! I'VE GOT TO GET THEM AWAY FROM THE CONTROLS!

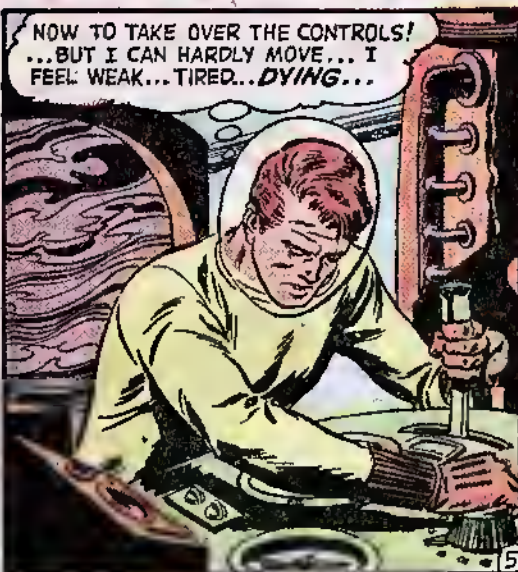


NOW TO THROW THE SWITCH! **DEATH TO ALL!**

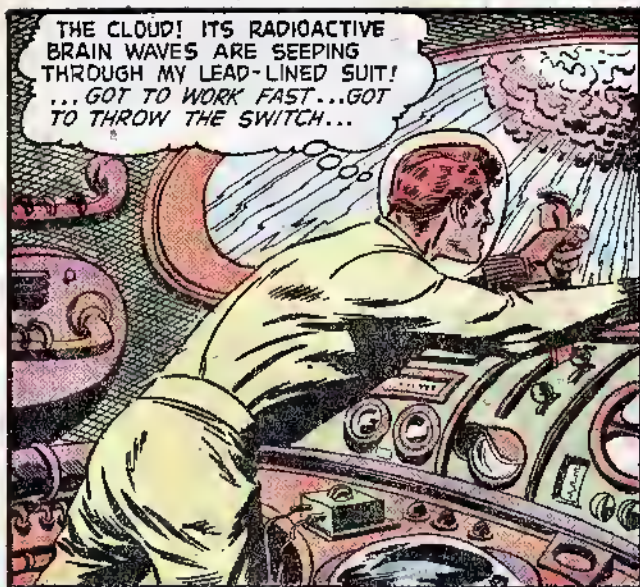
ENOUGH OF DEATH! I'M GOING TO FINISH KON TIRI'S MURDEROUS MASTERY!



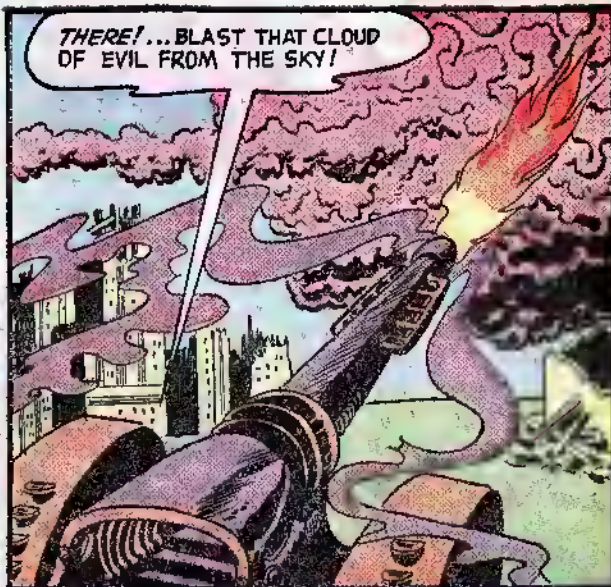
AAIEEEEE!



NOW TO TAKE OVER THE CONTROLS! ...BUT I CAN HARDLY MOVE... I FEEL WEAK... TIRED... **DYING...**



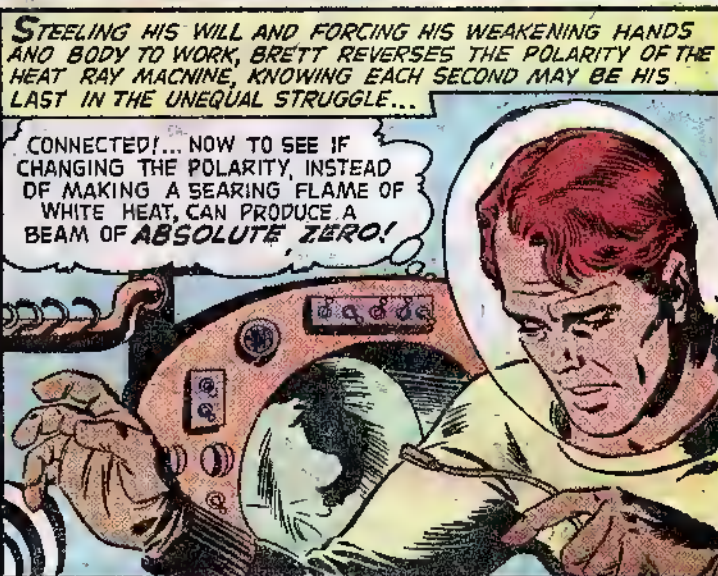
THE CLOUD! ITS RADIOACTIVE
BRAIN WAVES ARE SEEPING
THROUGH MY LEAD-LINED SUIT!
... GOT TO WORK FAST... GOT
TO THROW THE SWITCH...



THERE!... BLAST THAT CLOUD
OF EVIL FROM THE SKY!

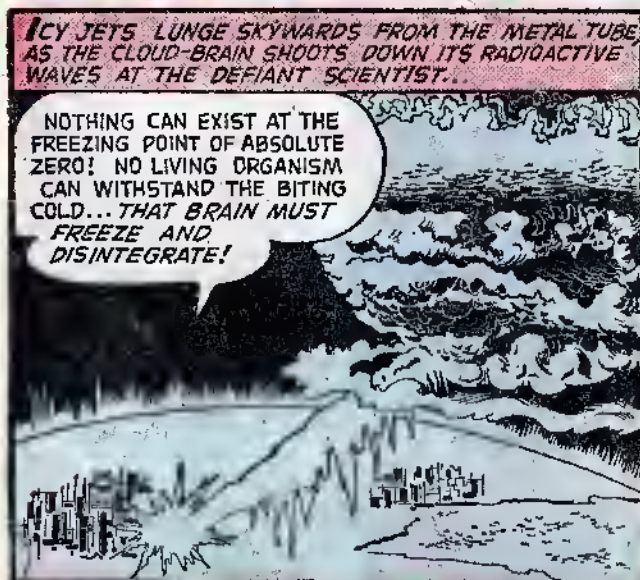


IT'S NO USE! HEAT
DOESN'T AFFECT THAT
MALIGNANT BRAIN... I
CAN'T LAST MUCH
LONGER... JUST **ONE**
MORE CHANCE...



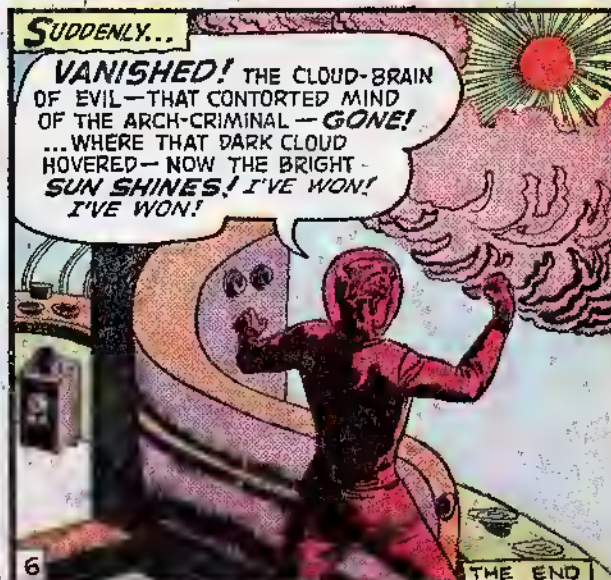
STEELING HIS WILL AND FORCING HIS WEAKENING HANDS
AND BODY TO WORK, BRETT REVERSES THE POLARITY OF THE
HEAT RAY MACHINE, KNOWING EACH SECOND MAY BE HIS
LAST IN THE UNEQUAL STRUGGLE...

CONNECTED!... NOW TO SEE IF
CHANGING THE POLARITY, INSTEAD
OF MAKING A SEARING FLAME OF
WHITE HEAT, CAN PRODUCE A
BEAM OF **ABSOLUTE ZERO!**



ICY JETS LUNGE SKYWARDS FROM THE METAL TUBE
AS THE CLOUD-BRAIN SHOOTS DOWN ITS RADIOACTIVE
WAVES AT THE DEFIANT SCIENTIST...

NOTHING CAN EXIST AT THE
FREEZING POINT OF ABSOLUTE
ZERO! NO LIVING ORGANISM
CAN WITHSTAND THE BITING
COLD... THAT BRAIN MUST
FREEZE AND
DISINTEGRATE!

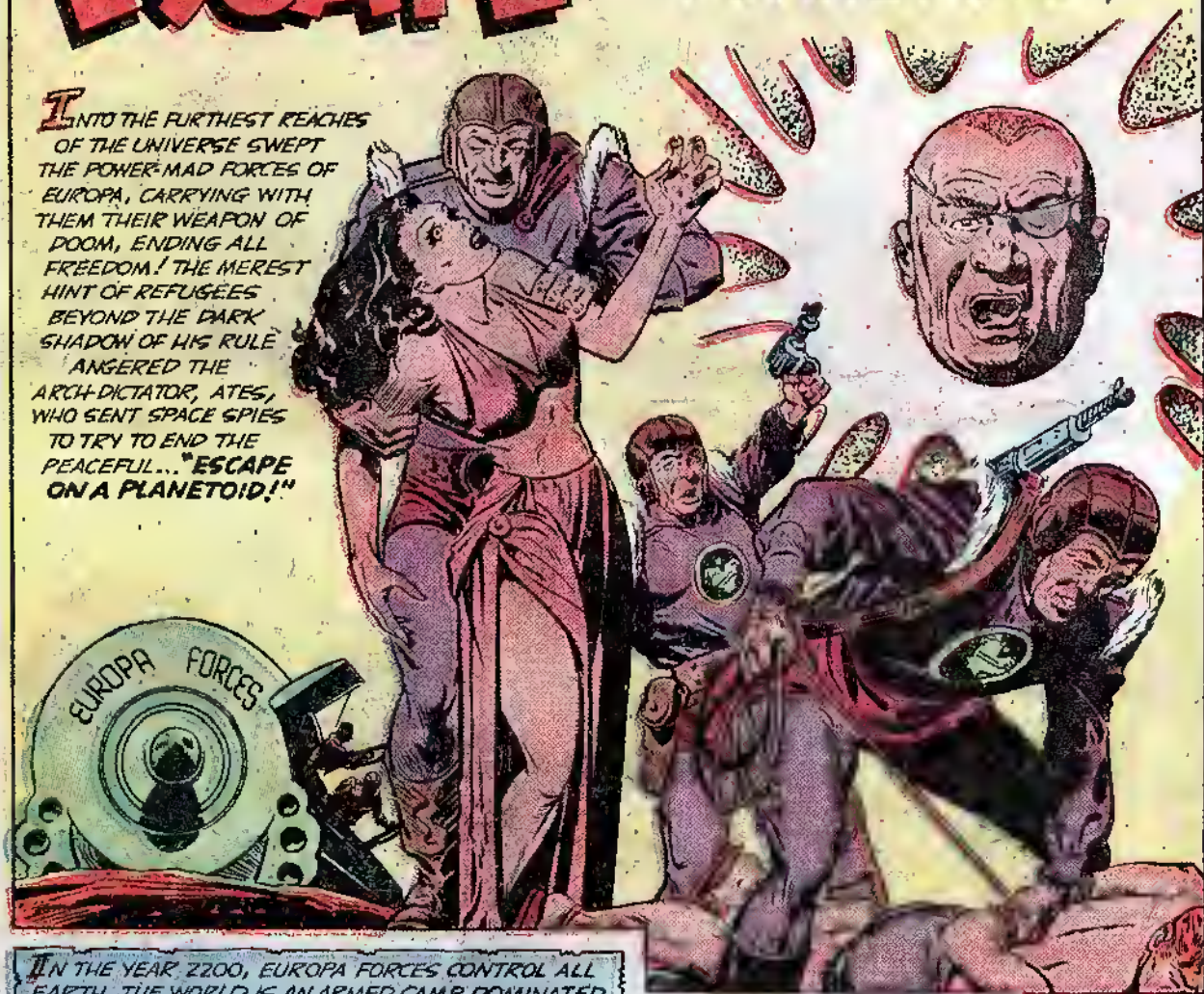


SUDDENLY...

VANISHED! THE CLOUD-BRAIN
OF EVIL—THAT CONTORTED MIND
OF THE ARCH-CRIMINAL — **GONE!**
... WHERE THAT DARK CLOUD
HOVERED— NOW THE BRIGHT
SUN SHINES! I'VE WON!
I'VE WON!

ESCAPE on a PLANETOID

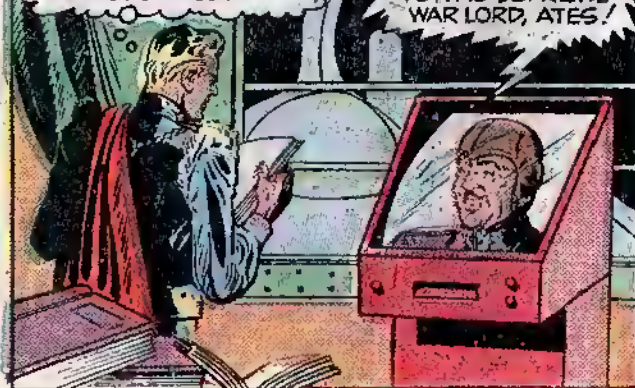
INTO THE FURTHEST REACHES OF THE UNIVERSE SWEEP THE POWER-MAD FORCES OF EUROPA, CARRYING WITH THEM THEIR WEAPON OF DOOM, ENDING ALL FREEDOM! THE MEREST HINT OF REFUGEES BEYOND THE DARK SHADOW OF HIS RULE ANGERED THE ARCH-DICTATOR, ATEs, WHO SENT SPACE SPIES TO TRY TO END THE PEACEFUL... "ESCAPE ON A PLANETOID!"



IN THE YEAR 2200, EUROPA FORCES CONTROL ALL EARTH. THE WORLD IS AN ARMED CAMP DOMINATED BY EUROPA'S THREAT OF AN X-27-BOMB WAR AND ENSLAVED BY FEAR. BUT ONE EUROPA OFFICER, COLONEL RULAK, TRIES TO MAINTAIN SOME INDIVIDUALITY IN A TOTALITARIAN WORLD...

THESE OLD BOOKS OF THE TWENTIETH CENTURY TELL STRANGE STORIES... A WORLD OF FREEDOM, MEN UNWATCHED BY THOUGHT CONTROL!

COLONEL RULAK! ARE YOU READING A BANNED BOOK? REPORT AT ONCE TO THE SUPREME WAR LORD, ATEs!



AT SUPREME HEADQUARTERS EUROPA...

YOUR PASS! YOUR IDENTITY CARD! YOUR LOYALTY RATING BOOK!

ATEs SENT FOR ME!

CHECK THAT ORDER! SEARCH HIM FOR CONCEALED WEAPONS!

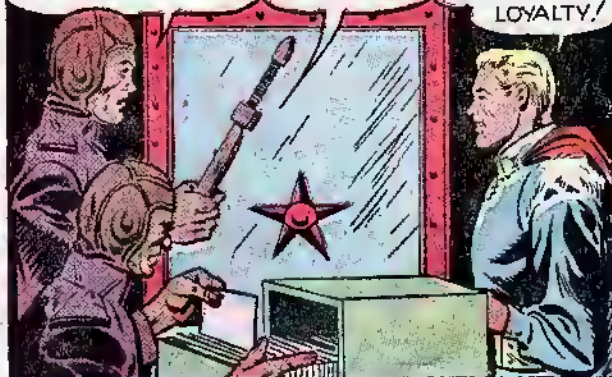


BLARING ENTERED HEADQUARTERS, RULAK IS STOPPED AGAIN BY ATE'S GUARDS...

DO YOU HARBOR ANY ILL FEELINGS AGAINST THE BELOVED ATE'S?

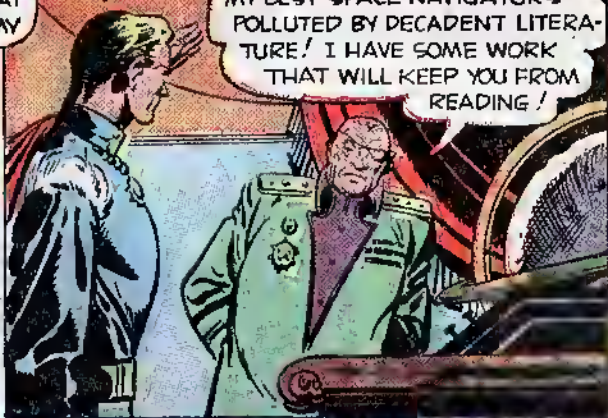
YOUR FILE IS MARKED "SUSPICIOUS"!

I AM A COLONEL IN THE SPACE NAVIGATORS! THAT ANSWERS FOR MY LOYALTY!



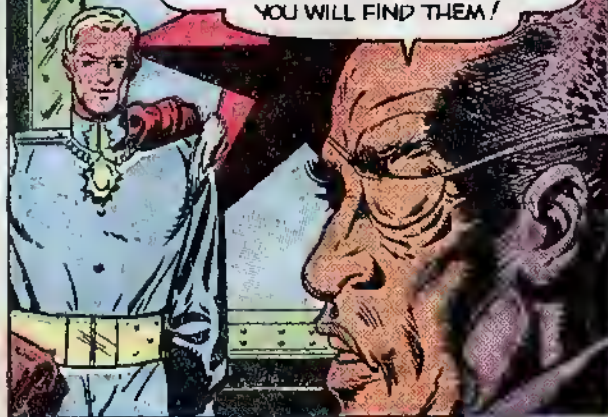
COLONEL RULAK REPORTING, ATE'S!

GOOD! THOUGHT CONTROL INFORMS ME THAT YOU HAVE BEEN READING "DANGEROUS" BOOKS! I DON'T WANT ONE OF MY BEST SPACE NAVIGATORS POLLUTED BY DECADENT LITERATURE! I HAVE SOME WORK THAT WILL KEEP YOU FROM READING!



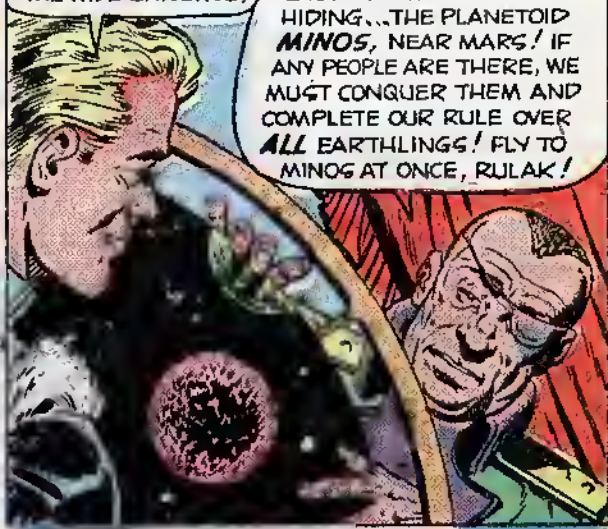
WHAT IS MY MISSION?

HISTORICAL INTELLIGENCE REPORTS THAT WHEN THE GLORIOUS FORCES OF EUROPA CONQUERED AMERIKA, A GROUP OF DEMOCRATIC SCIENTISTS AND THEIR FAMILIES TOOK OFF IN A ROCKET SHIP AND **VANISHED!** YOU WILL FIND THEM!



FIND A HANDFUL OF REFUGEES IN THE WIDE UNIVERSE!

WE HAVE NARROWED THE SEARCH DOWN TO ONE LAST POSSIBLE PLACE OF HIDING...THE PLANETOID **MINOS**, NEAR MARS! IF ANY PEOPLE ARE THERE, WE MUST CONQUER THEM AND COMPLETE OUR RULE OVER **ALL EARTHLINGS!** FLY TO MINOS AT ONCE, RULAK!



THE SMALL SPACE CRAFT JET'S TOWARD VECTOR 3 AND MINOS...

IF ATE'S THOUGHT THIS MISSION WOULD PUNISH ME FOR MY READING, HE WAS WRONG! HE GAVE ME PRECIOUS TIME FOR UNINTERRUPTED THOUGHT! NO BLARING THOUGHT CONTROL PROPAGANDIST BLASTING IN MY EAR!

RULAK! ATTENTION, RULAK!

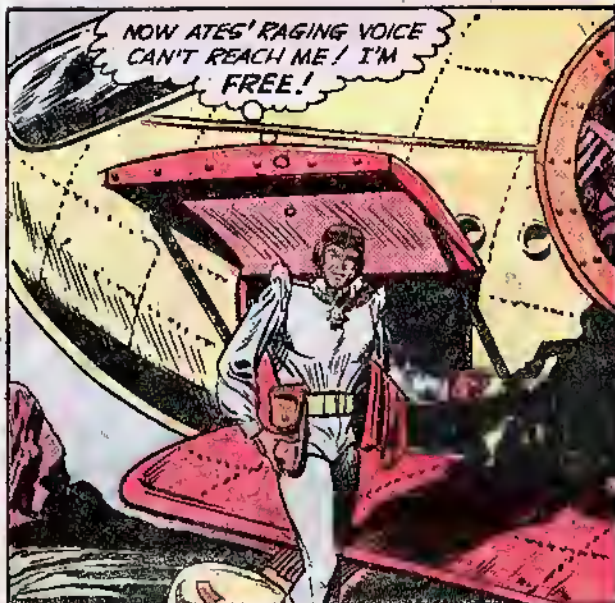


YOU WILL LEAVE YOUR TELEVISION VIEWER ON TO CHANNEL 1X-5! YOU WILL WATCH REBROADCASTS OF THE GLORIOUS SPEECHES OF OUR BELOVED AND MIGHTY LEADER...ATE'S!

CONQUER! CONQUER! CRUSH ALL OUR FOES! CONQUER!

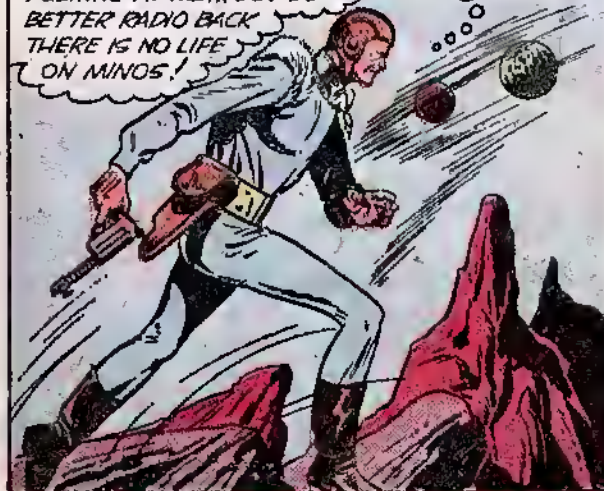


LATER, THE JETS ARE CUT, THE ANTI-GRAVITATORS THROWN ON AND THE SPACE CRAFT LANDS ON THE BARREN MARTIAN PLANETOID, MINOS...



NOW ATE'S RAGING VOICE CAN'T REACH ME! I'M FREE!

NOT A TRACE OF LIFE IN THIS PART! JUST PEACEFUL BARREN HILLS AND UTTER FREEDOM! NO FEELING OF THE THOUGHT CONTROL SPIES PEERING AT ME... BUT I'D BETTER RADIO BACK THERE IS NO LIFE ON MINOS!



BUT-

MY SPACE-CRAFT... GONE! B-BUT I KNOW THIS IS EXACTLY WHERE I LEFT IT... THERE MUST BE LIFE ON MINOS!

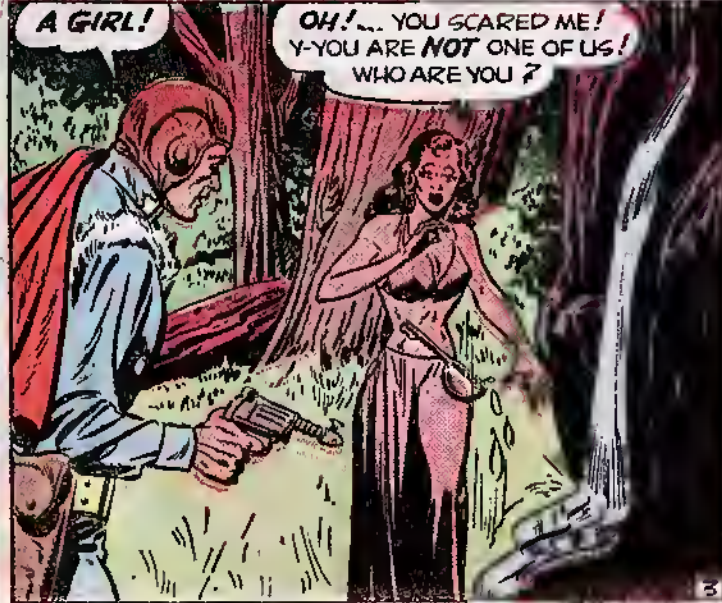


I'VE GOT TO FIND OUT WHO STOLE MY CRAFT AND GET IT BACK OR I'LL BE MAROONED HERE... HMM, THE WOODS LOOK PEACEFUL ENOUGH...



A GIRL!

OH!... YOU SCARED ME! Y-YOU ARE NOT ONE OF US! WHO ARE YOU?





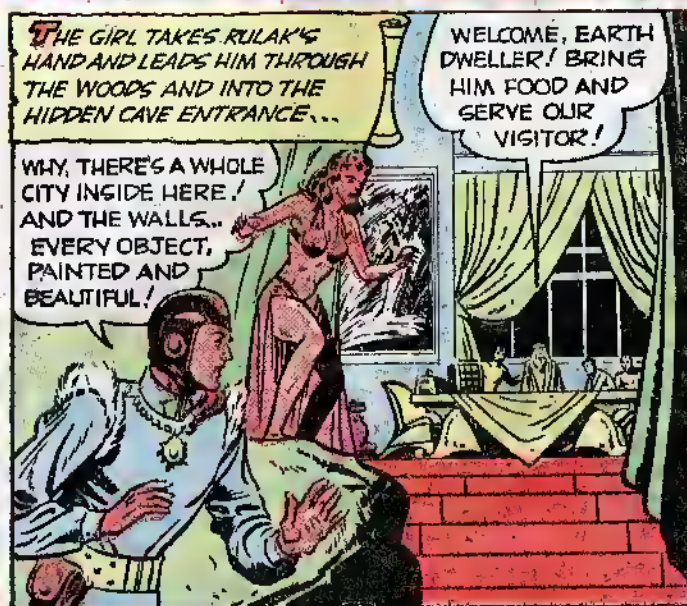
I AM RULAK,
COLONEL AND
SPACE
NAVIGATOR
FROM EARTH!

THEN WHAT WE HAVE ALWAYS
FEARED HAS HAPPENED! WE,
WHOSE ANCESTORS FLED EARTH
TO FIND REFUGE FROM ITS RULE
OF TERROR, HAVE BEEN
TRACKED DOWN AT LAST!



THEN YOU ARE
EARTHINGS,
TOO!

YES, BUT FOLLOW ME!
WE SHALL MEET KAL,
OUR PRESIDENT, IN
THE CAVE CITY!



THE GIRL TAKES RULAK'S
HAND AND LEADS HIM THROUGH
THE WOODS AND INTO THE
HIDDEN CAVE ENTRANCE...

WELCOME, EARTH
DWELLER! BRING
HIM FOOD AND
SERVE OUR
VISITOR!

WHY, THERE'S A WHOLE
CITY INSIDE HERE!
AND THE WALLS...
EVERY OBJECT,
PAINTED AND
BEAUTIFUL!



WHAT A STRANGE
RECEPTION! EVERY
OTHER PLANET
GREET'S US WITH
UNKNOWN WEAPONS
AND DEADLY RAYS
...YOU, WITH FRUIT
AND SMILES! BUT
YOU HAVE ONE
FAULT...
STEALING!

IF YOU ARE HINTING
ABOUT YOUR MISSING
SPACE-CRAFT...WE HAVE
TAKEN IT! WE CANNOT
ALLOW YOU TO RETURN
TO EARTH AND SEND UP
A CONQUERING EXPEDITION!
BUT WE GLADLY
OFFER YOU A HAPPY,
FREE LIFE HERE!



THIS MUST BE THE WORLD
I READ ABOUT IN FORBIDDEN
OLD BOOKS! YOU HAVE ART,
BEAUTY, FREEDOM... PEACE!
BUT I HAVE A SWORN
DUTY... I **MUST** RETURN!

YOU SOUND ALMOST AS IF
YOU COULD **ENJOY** OUR
WAYS! IT WILL BE EASIER
FOR YOU THEN, SINCE WE
WILL NEVER LET YOU RETURN
TO INFORM EARTH
OF OUR REFUGE HERE!



KAL! KAL! A
SECOND SPACE-SHIP
FROM EARTH HAS
LANDED! IT
CARRIES THREE
MEN! AND THEY
SAW ME!

IT WAS INEVITABLE!
ATES COULD NEVER LEAVE
ONE MAN UNSPIED ON
FOR LONG! NOW **FOUR**
KNOW OF YOUR
EXISTENCE!



THEN IT IS NO USE KEEPING YOU HERE / LET US SPEAK TO THESE NEW VISITORS AND SEE WHAT CAN BE DONE!

IF I KNOW ATEG'S SPIES... NOTHING!



RULAK! WE WERE LOOKING FOR YOU! NOW WE KNOW THERE IS LIFE ON MINOS!

YES, AND A FREE AND HAPPY PEOPLE!



HOW MANY? WHAT DO THEY POSSESS OF VALUE? HOW MANY MEN CAN THEY MUSTER FOR OUR LABOR CAMPS?

WHAT THEY VALUE MOST YOU CARE LEAST FOR... FREEDOM!



GO HERE'S OUR LONE EXPLORER! I'LL BET WE DIDN'T FIND WHAT I'VE ALREADY CLAIMED AS MINE... URANIUM! I'LL RADIO MY CLAIM TO EARTH!

WAIT! IF YOU RADIO EARTH, THESE PEOPLE WILL BE DEPORTED THERE!



THEIR ANCESTORS FLED EUROPA'S RULE ONCE... THEY CAN'T ESCAPE FOREVER!

I WON'T LET YOU RADIO EARTH!



RACING INTO THE SPACE-SHIP'S RADIO ROOM, RULAK GRABS A HEAVY WRENCH...

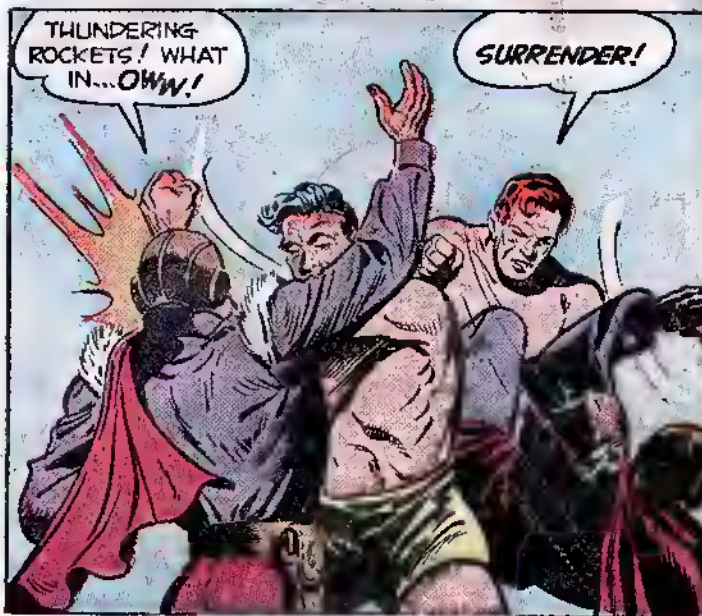
GRAB HIM!

SMASH!



ATES WILL HAVE
YOU IN A LABOR
CAMP AS SOON
AS...

HURRY!
FREE RULAK!



THUNDERING
ROCKETS! WHAT
IN...OWW!

SURRENDER!



THE OVERPOWERED SPIES ARE QUICKLY
BROUGHT BEFORE KAL...

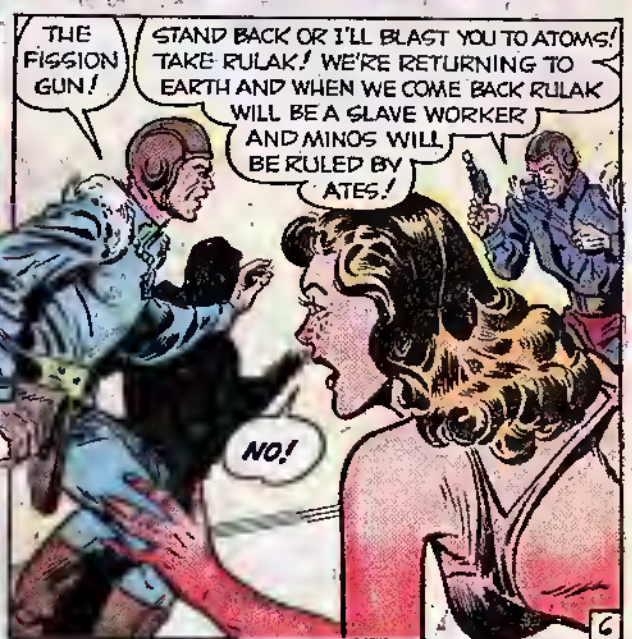
OUR WAYS ARE NOT THEIRS!
WE RETURN MERCY FOR CRUELTY,
HOPING OUR EXAMPLE WILL
CHANGE THE WAYS OF OTHERS!
FREE THEM!

NO!
YOU DON'T
KNOW THEM!
THEY CAN'T
BE TRUSTED!



RELEASE
THEM!

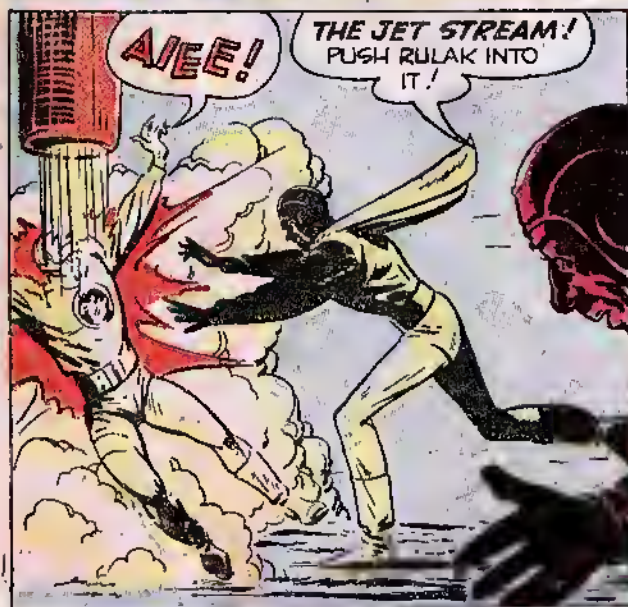
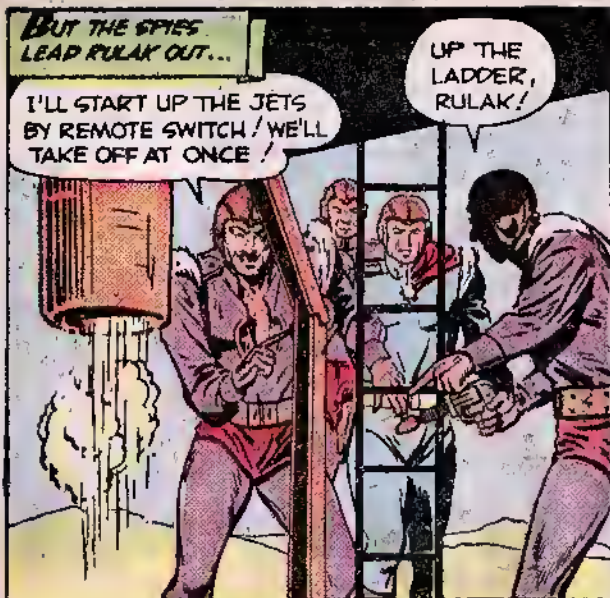
FOOLS! WHO CARES ABOUT
BEHAVIOUR LESSONS...THERE'S
URANIUM AND SLAVES TO BE
GOTTEN HERE!



THE
FISSION
GUN!

STAND BACK OR I'LL BLAST YOU TO ATOMS!
TAKE RULAK! WE'RE RETURNING TO
EARTH AND WHEN WE COME BACK RULAK
WILL BE A SLAVE WORKER
AND MINOS WILL
BE RULED BY
ATES!

NO!



BUT SUDDENLY RULAK SWINGS ABOUT, TRIPPING THE TWO SPIES WHO FALL INTO THE JET'S FIERY BLAST.

AIEEE!



IT WAS HORRIBLE!

TAKE ME TO MY SPACE-CRAFT! I'LL RADIO EARTH AND REPORT THEIR "ACCIDENT" AND ASK FOR A DAY MORE TO EXPLORE UNPOPULATED MINOS!



FOR A WHOLE DAY, RULAK KNOWS A FREEDOM HE HAS NEVER EXPERIENCED. THE HOURS PASS, UNSPIED UPON, IN A WORLD OF JOYOUS LIBERTY, BUT THEN...

MUST YOU DEPART? CAN'T YOU EVER RETURN? I SHALL MISS YOU DEEPLY, RULAK!

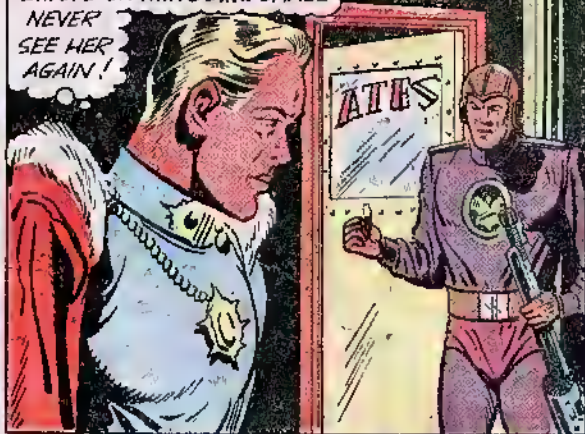
NO... I CAN NEVER COME BACK! IF I DO, IT WOULD ONLY BE TO LEAD CONQUERORS OF MINOS! BUT I'LL ALWAYS REMEMBER THE FREEDOM I ENJOYED HERE... AND YOU!



ON EARTH RULAK REPORTS...

IF I TELL ATEs THERE ARE PEOPLE ON MINOS, THEIR WAY OF LIFE IS ENDED. IF I TELL HIM NOTHING EXISTS ON MINOS... I SHALL NEVER SEE HER AGAIN!

ATEs COMMANDS YOU ENTER!

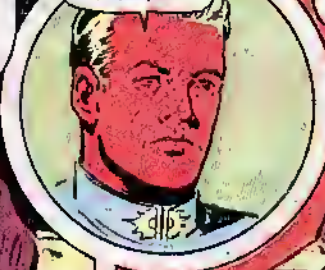


ATEs, THERE IS NOTHING OF ANY VALUE ON MINOS AND THERE ARE NO PEOPLE THERE!

NO LIFE? THEN CERTAINLY, RULAK, THERE IS NOTHING ON MINOS THAT WOULD EVER MAKE YOU WANT TO RETURN TO THAT BARREN, LIFELESS PLANETOID?

NO... THERE IS NOTHING ON MINOS FOR ME! NOTHING FOR ME TO EVER GO BACK TO!

SPLENDID! THEN YOU CAN DEVOTE YOURSELF ENTIRELY TO YOUR NEW ASSIGNMENT! YOU WILL PATROL SPACE VECTOR 3 FROM CO-ORDINATES Y5-7! YOU ARE BEING PUNISHED FOR DANGEROUS READING! YOUR BASE FOR THIS LONELY VIGIL IS... MINOS!



The End



WE GUARANTEE TO SAVE YOU MONEY!

YOUR MONEY BACK QUICK IF YOU CAN BUY FOR LESS ELSEWHERE



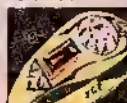
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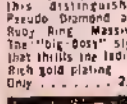
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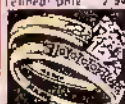
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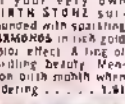
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